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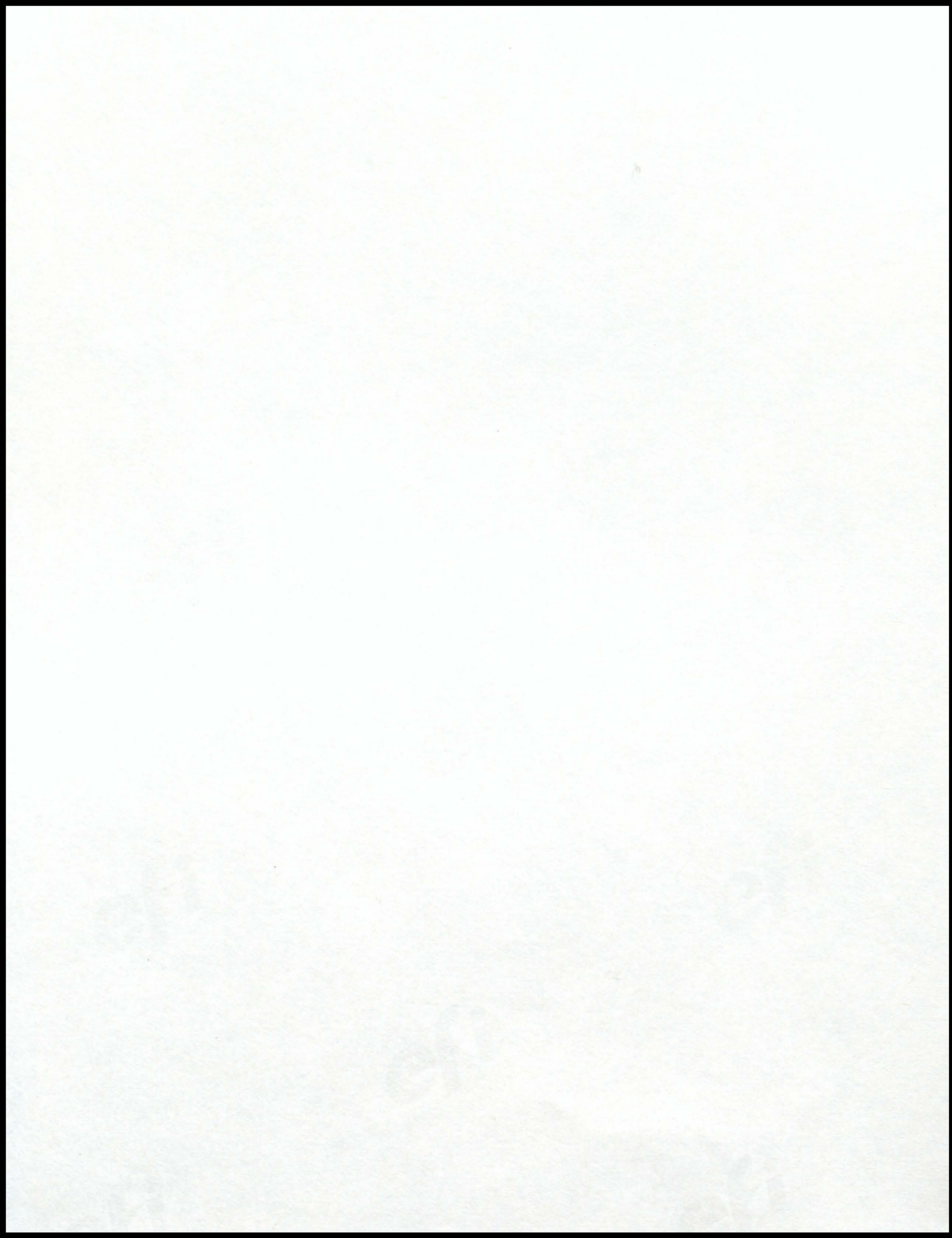
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1997 Remembrance

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SPIRITED CLASS OF '97 takes over leadership at pep assemblies. The senior banner was created by seniors Stephanie Stay, Adam Nixon, and Jenny Forshee.



Big In A Lot Of Little Ways

In the little town of Algonac sits a high school with big improvements and tremendous spirit. On September 3, 786 students filed through the doors of AHS to kick off a new and improved year. Pressure was on to make this one the best yet. Numerous achievements were big in a lot of little ways.

"The most exciting part of burning the football signs was getting rid of everything from the past." Jason DeSot



Community involvement began before the new school year did. Advanced art students set up The Fan of the Arts booth at the Algonac Art Fair to raise funds for supplies. For a dollar, anyone could make a fan or buy one pre-made. Senior Brie Budzinski saw the idea at the Ann Arbor Art Fair and

began working with Mr. Greg Jones. "It was nice students came and helped out," said Brie Budzinski.

Newly introduced TV Studio received money through Technology Grants, making it one of the biggest new technology advancements in the school. Important items purchased with the money included four portable cameras, a monitor and a dozen wires. "The cameras make it so much easier to film," said Lauren Petre. A work request form is now available district wide to help teachers or organizations with different specific tasks.

Starting a new tradition, Student Council moved the night assembly from the gym to half-time of Powder Puff. This promoted bigger attendance and more spirit. Stands were packed, and by half-time there were no seats left. The outcome was excellent and the attendance was great, said adviser Mrs. Paula Johnson.

Speaking of spirit, Varsity football achieved a goal set 22 games ago. A three game winning streak brought spirit and excitement. After the first win against St. Clair the team burnt the old good luck signs hanging in the locker room. It symbolized the coaching changes, from Coach Ceccaci to Coach Sharrow, and put unlucky times behind them. Proceeding the St. Clair game Don Capadegli said, "Excitement rushed through my body after the win."

When you combine all of the people and events, we really are big in a lot of little ways!

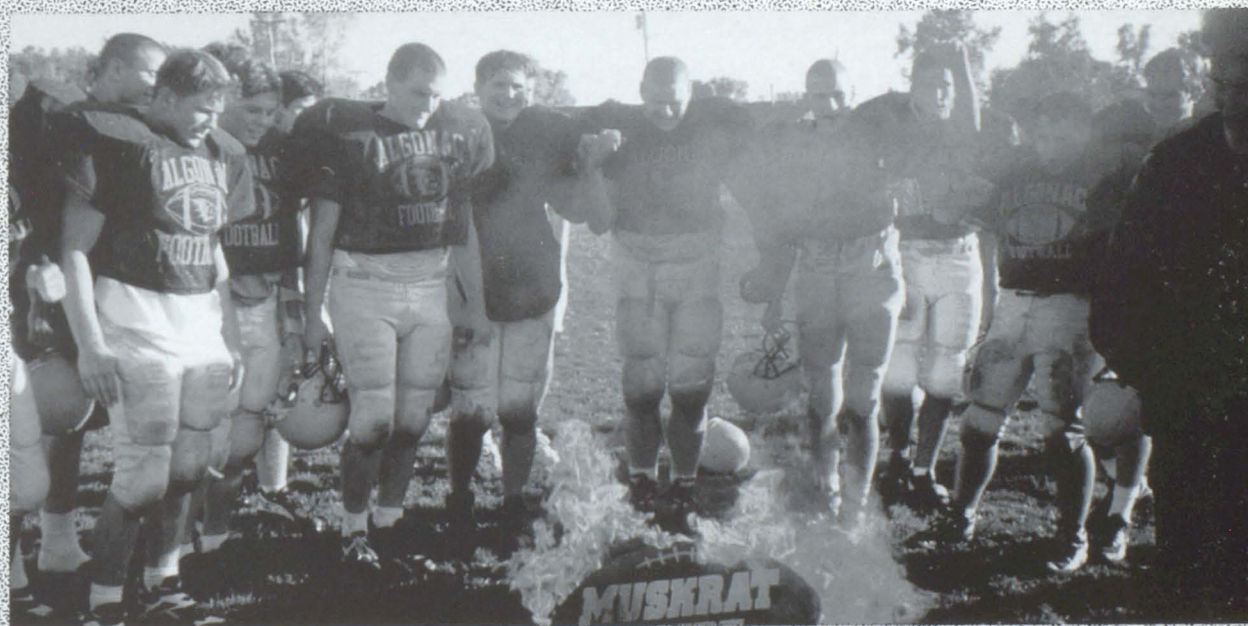
WET, WILD... and crazy muskrats. The bigger the school spirit the better. Mr. Muskrat has been out in vengeance. He can be spotted anywhere, anytime. Beware! Rats'll eat you up.





LIGHTS, CAMERA ... Action. Advancements in TV Studio soar with new equipment and district wide services. Technology grants enabled them to purchase camcorders, a teleprompter, and many additional items. Kelly Hutchins and Stephanie Stay run two different cameras at the Homecoming pep assembly.

PAINTS, SMILES, SUNSHINE On Labor Day weekend advanced art students worked with the community to raise money for art supplies. Fans could be made or bought pre-made at the booth. "Fan of the Arts" for a dollar. Setting up a booth at the Algonac Art Fair was a great way for the school to get involved with children from the community. Annie Rockwood helps these three children decorate their fans.



BLAZE, MEMORIES ... Time to forget the old and bring in the new. After their first win, Varsity Muskies burn away the bad memories in order to begin a new winning tradition. When nothing was left but ashes they continued on a three game winning streak. The competitive spirit is at a full rise.



Rays of sun in the summer fun

Parties, sports, boating, swimming, friends, jobs and the many memories are just a few of the many things that help make summer "big in a lot of little ways."

Many sports teams participated in summer camps. Basketball, cross country, tennis and band all went to a summer camp.

"I liked bummin' around with my friends on the beach and partying. I really enjoyed the time away from school."
Kelly Hutchins



Camp experience provided valuable opportunities to learn skills, teamwork and friendship.

At Eastern Michigan University's basketball camp, "We got up at 7, ate breakfast, played games, had lunch, played more games, did stations and went to bed around 10," said Steve Lochbiler.

"Staying up late late with

Nate and Bob and talking" were things that Steve remembered.

Many students also had summer jobs which often extended into the fall. Whether it was working at a gas dock, working in a restaurant, or store, money is often needed for car payments, insurance, college tuition or just extra spending money. "I have worked at Grillo's Little Italy for three years. I currently work six hours a day, twice a week," said Andrea Claeys.

Of course, work or a summer camp weren't the only ways to spend summer vacation. Many went boating, swimming, camping or just hanging out.



MUSIC, DANCING... Jackie Trupp, Brie Budzinski, Tami Johnson, Beth Cortis, Angie Gerald, Renee Bauer, Nicole Rose, Courtney Pioszak, Stephanie Stay, and Amy Sey, saw Alanis Morissette on August 29 at Pine Knob. They enjoyed themselves dancing to the music and singing along.



BLUE SKIES... One of the biggest advantages of living on the water is being able to hop on the boat whenever you want to cool off. Courtney Pioszak and Stephanie Stay enjoy a sunny day out on the water.



BOATING, TUBING... Stephanie Zryd and Melissa Pauwels pause for a quick pic after enjoying a August afternoon on Anchor Bay.

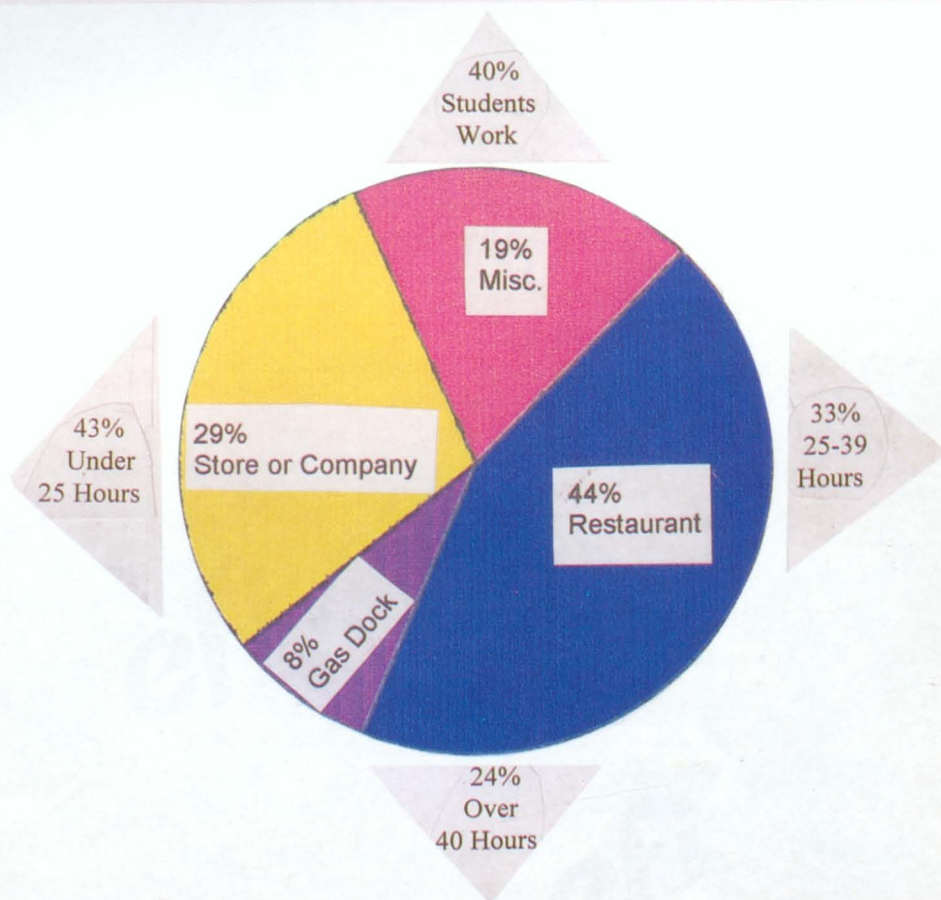


HEAT, SALT... Cheerleaders had a ball at Alma College during a four-day summer camp held near the end of August. After the last day's festivities they stopped their hectic schedule to give one last smile.



STUDENT COUNCIL, ROLLER-COASTERS... During the Student Council trip to Cedar Point, Margeaux Peters and Tami Tomes gesture a joke by the mine ride.

RELAXATION, WATER... Danielle Sartain's end-of-the-year party finds Amy Focht lounging by the pool in the afternoon sun.



From a wide angle

School years begin with "whose in my class?", "what lunch will I have?" and "who will be on court?" Fall '96 added two new changes. Planners became a guidebook. Say goodbye to yellow passes, planners are now becoming the way to leave class.

**GETTING
READY
AHEAD** of time, Lindsay Kulba, writes during her third hour HSPT practice writing day.



However, being a hall pass was not the only intent of the concept of a planner.

Student planners and the HSPT were two controversial issues that surfaced during this year. Over 781 of these planners/ handbooks were distributed during the second week of schools. Students were to use these for passes. They also included the handbook, calendars,

graphs, charts, schedules, homework assignments and much more information.

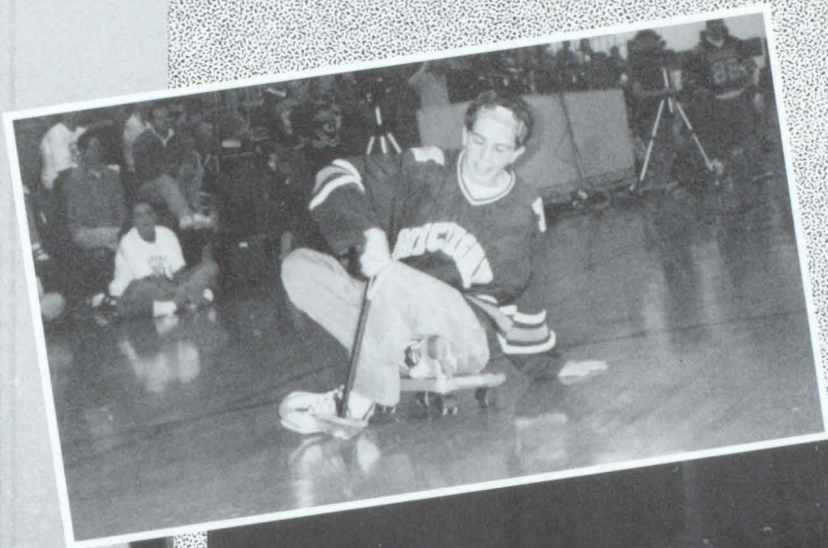
HSPT came to be a junior/ senior nightmare. The High School Proficiency Test was first taken by the seniors in March '96. The areas tested included math, reading, science, and writing. In order to have state endorsed stamps on diplomas, students must pass those sections. "Our students weren't tested on creativity and other right brain functions," said Mr. Rod Greenwood. "I think it's unnecessary to take a test that isn't going to apply towards our futures anyway," said Renee Bauer.



THINKING HARD ... To move those pencils was that main concern while students took their HSPT Testings.

PLANNERS AS PASSES ... Freshmen Joe Burns, makes sure not to leave class without his little, green handbook.





EARNING POINTS FOR the senior class, during the Homecoming Assembly, Sean Campbell races on the scooter with a plunger like a pro.

DIRECTING THE BAND, during the Half-time performances, is Senior Eric Shumaker's job as being Marching Band's drum major.



Spirit soars, while much more involvement has taken place. From college composition, yellow sheets, newspaper deadlines, committee meetings to sports, many students never have an extra minute in their schedule. Students who are involved feel the pressures of doing much more, than those that aren't involved.

"Student involvement is for certain people, and others it's not for. I don't have time for stuff like that," said Devona Becker.

"Being Rat Review editor it takes attention out of my life because it is so demanding and so much work," said Erica Davey.

"I love being so involved, especially being student council president, here at AHS because otherwise I would miss out too much on all of my high school memories," said Beth Cortis.

Even though this is such a huge subject, many students can't help but take place in all of the events surrounding Algonac High. If it isn't attending the last home basketball game to attending the Homecoming dance, we just can't get away from all of the fun.

School spirit brick by brick

Brings down the house

With so many different opportunities, spirit was on a uprising this year. Competition increased between classes. "A lot more people are getting involved and the competition between classes is tougher," said Kate Basehore.

"As a senior, spirit is better because seniors are looked up to and can put underclassmen through what we went through." Tammy Dumond



One reason students get involved and show more spirit is to be with their friends. They receive encouragement from friends to do more and become more involved. This is why Johnna Fett decided to do more, "Basically, school spirit is pretty cool because you get to be with your friends."

Spirit string began the competition with Juniors winning the challenge. Powder puff followed closely where the seniors triumphed. These are just a few activities involving spirit week. Some think that there should be more activities to be involved in dealing with spirit. Dale Smith said "we should have spirit week more than once a year."

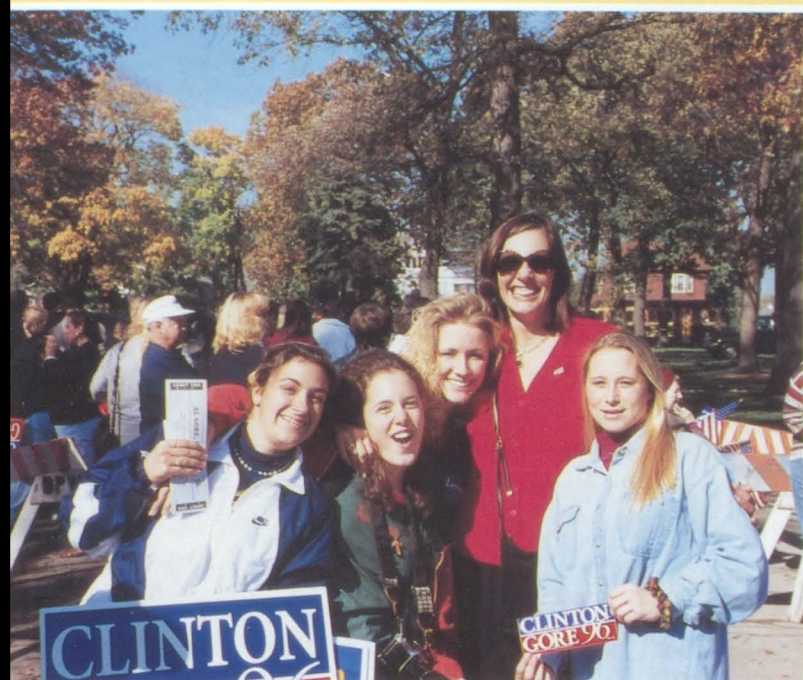
Academic experience included a lot of different things, like field trips. People went to places such as: Stratford with Mrs. Sandra Bade, Michigan State University for yearbook and newspaper classes, Phantom of the Opera for drama class and many other exciting places.

Overall, each class showed their involvement in their own way. With so many activities going on through the year, it is kind of hard not to get involved. It is proven that when involvement is on the rise and spirits are up, good results will come out of it.

ANNUAL MIPA TRIP... On October 14, publication students took their annual trip to Michigan State University for a conference. Courtney Ploszak, Kelly Hutchins, Jackie Trupp, Carrie Bechill and Dale Smith used the afternoon to explore MSU's campus.

TONS OF SPIRIT... The freshmen get loud and cheer for victory at the first pep assembly in late September.





PRESIDENTIAL POLITICS... During the presidential campaign, seniors had the opportunity to participate in the political process. Dale Smith, Shannon Wilson, Kim Parsons and Jennifer Peterson had VIP tickets to listen to Vice President Al Gore at Pinegrove Park in Port Huron on October 25. The girls also met with local politicians including county commissioner Mrs. Pam Wall.



STROLLING THROUGH STRATFORD... Taking a walk on October 22, Aricka Tuttle and Melissa Tabor take in the atmosphere of Stratford, Ontario. Mrs. Bade's trips are popular with students. The trips also provides a chance to experience live theater and see Shakespearean culture.



POWDER PUFF... Picking up her powder puff jersey, Mr. Dan Shafer shows Sun Oak Kim how awesome she will look in her jersey. Powder puff day on Wednesday, October 9 was a sea of blue and gold as junior and senior girls all wore their jerseys.

PSYCHED UP SENIORS... Excitement builds before the first assembly for senior girls Shannon Wilson, Beth Cortis, Brie Budzinski, Dale Smith, Nicole Rose and Carrie Bechill. This was the annual senior banner picture and the first chance to sit in the senior section.

TUNNELING THROUGH . . . Rough, tough and ready to win, varsity player, Ron Burns, makes a mad dash through the spirit tunnel. The spirit tunnel was started by Mr. Tom Baldwin five years ago. Each year the tunnel grows in popularity as students jump the fence in a mad dash to get onto the field.



CHANNEL 6 . . . TV studio crew captured all of the varsity football homecoming game on tape. Kurt Berger used one of the cameras to focus in on the action. The game was then shown the next week on channel 6 for the community to see.



Muskrats: BIG in a lot of little ways...

Student Life Division

Slightly Zany

- Publications office on a deadline
- Shaving cream raids to floats
- Football sign in locker room torched to change jinx "tradition"
- Band practice at 7:00 a.m.
- Student Handbook/Planner becomes hall pass
- Mr. Muskrat - normally sedate men go crazy at annual event
- Chorus - fruit sale helps finance trip to Tennessee
- SADD - annual week creates awareness
- Powder Puff flags tied in knots during annual game
- Student Council sets tone for spirit in school
- Drama - One Acts - Student written play produced
- Intense class competition during spirit week

Many different things apply to make our school big in a lot of LITTLE ways. Whether it is the football teams victory, the band triumphant in competition again, or the overall spirit exploding, we are BIG in a lot of little ways.



DEADLINE PRESSURES . . . Renee Bauer, Ericka Hildreth, Rene Davey and Kelly Heron work frantically to meet the newspaper deadline. With a paper produced every two weeks deadlines led to a hectic fourth hour class.

KEEPING THE RHYTHM . . . drum line members Dan Rose and Robert Lane keep the crowds fired up during the Homecoming parade on October 11.

Class costumes highlight spirit week Competition dominates

Costumes, costumes and more costumes...dominated spirit week. Normally sedate students turn to different personalities and kick off Homecoming Week.

On Monday, pajamas, fuzzy slippers, and comfortable flannels became the attire for the day. Tuesday was a bit deceiving because it was twin day and it was hard to tell people apart. On Wednesday, fashion was dead. It was mis match day and some people dressed inappropriately, but that was their purpose. Kristin Schrader stated, "My favorite day is mis match day because you can wear whatever you want and nobody cares." This was also Powder Puff day and jerseys were proper attire for Seniors and Juniors. Thursday was Theme Day. Seniors used homemade masks to help reflect their New Orleans theme. "I liked our class theme using Mardi Gras. We were able to dress up using our imaginations," said Lauren Petre. Juniors said aloha to Honolulu with leis and grass skirts. Sophomores were stars in Hollywood and Freshman cashed in at Las Vegas.

Spirit week ended with traditional blue and gold day. By far, this involved the most students and spirit. Faculty members added a unique touch led by Mrs. Mary Jackson painting the year of graduation on faces of individual faculty members. "At my age having a face to paint on is an accomplishment," said Mr. Rod Greenwood.

MARDI GRAS With imaginative homemade masks, Monica Meldrum and Devona Becker add points to the senior total on theme day of spirit week. Points are based on a total of one to three depending on what students wore to fit their theme.

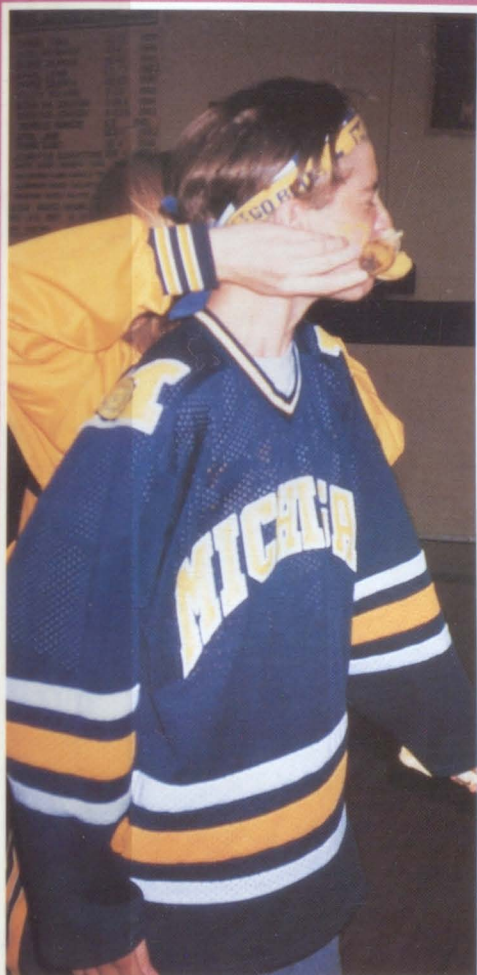


GETTING SPIRIT POINTS Trying to encourage participation, Cassi Bommarito and Margeaux Peters sell plastic leis for 25 cents.

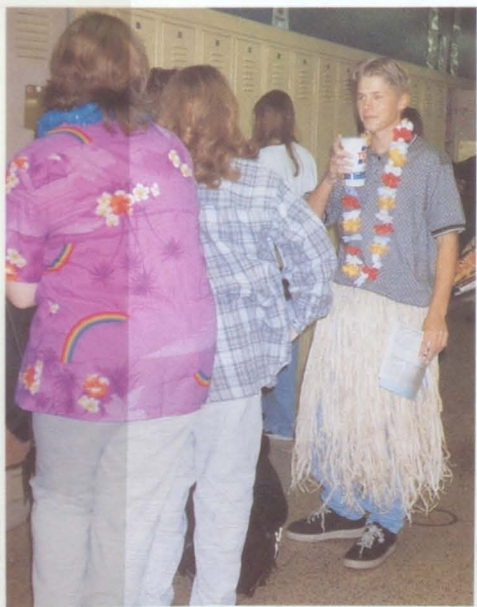
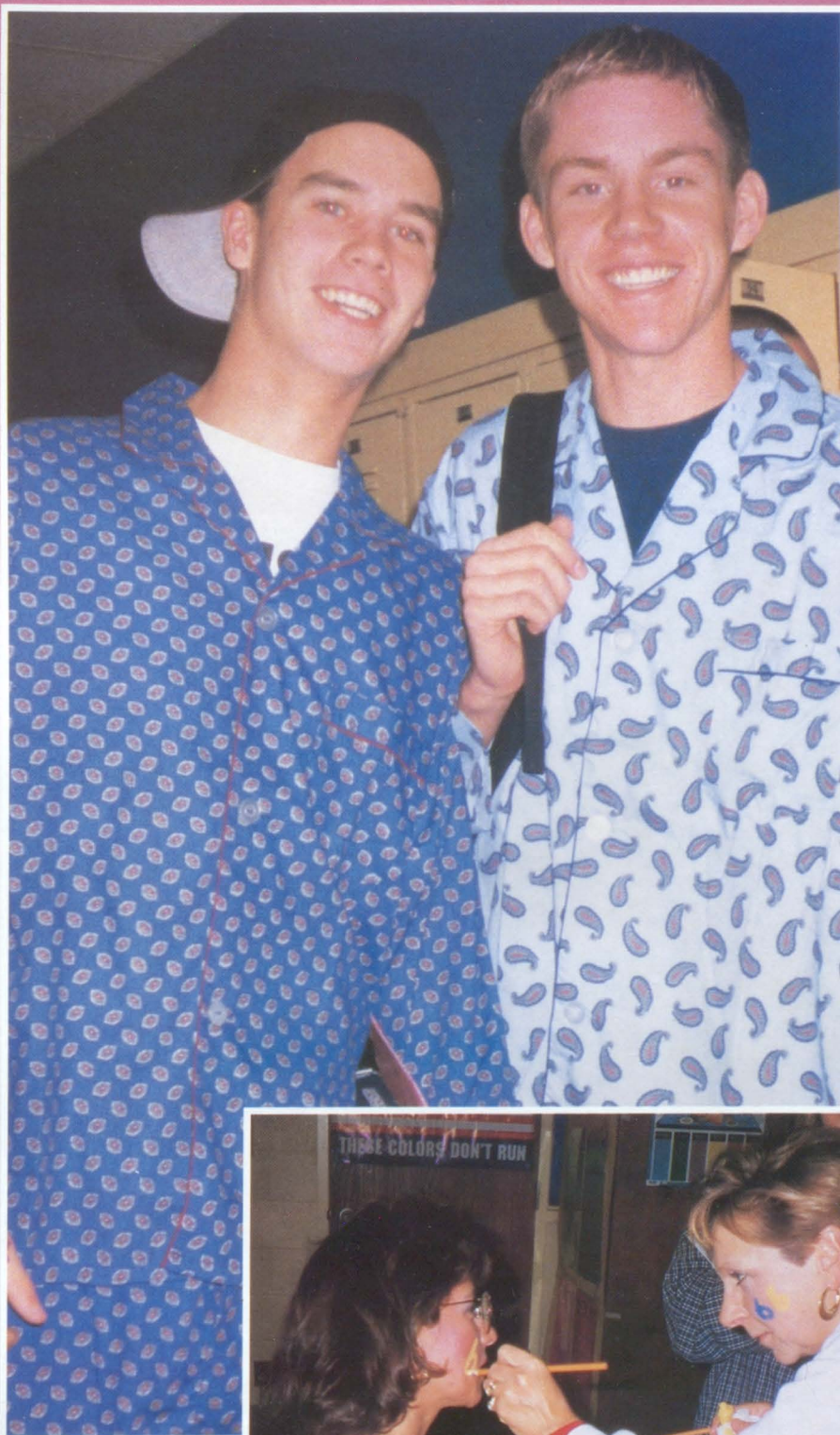


WHO IS WHO? Displaying an excellent example of look alikes, Ray Clark and Shana Cadena capture that unique twin atmosphere.

BLUE AND GOLD Participating in the behind the back banana eating contest, Shaun Campbell gains points by wearing blue and gold on the last day of spirit week October 11.



PAJAMA DAY A very common thing on the first day of spirit week, October 7 was to see people dressed in their casual night clothes. Steve Lochbiler and Nathan Maroney wear their pajamas to add points to the class totals.



ALL OUT Many of the juniors went all out with their Hawaiian theme. Rob Bryson went to first hour grass skirt, coffee and books.



FACULTY BLUE AND GOLD The teachers added their own personal touch to blue and gold day by having their year of high school graduation painted on their faces. Mrs. Mary Jackson starts off with painting on Mrs. Pam Elliot's face.

Spirited crazy days

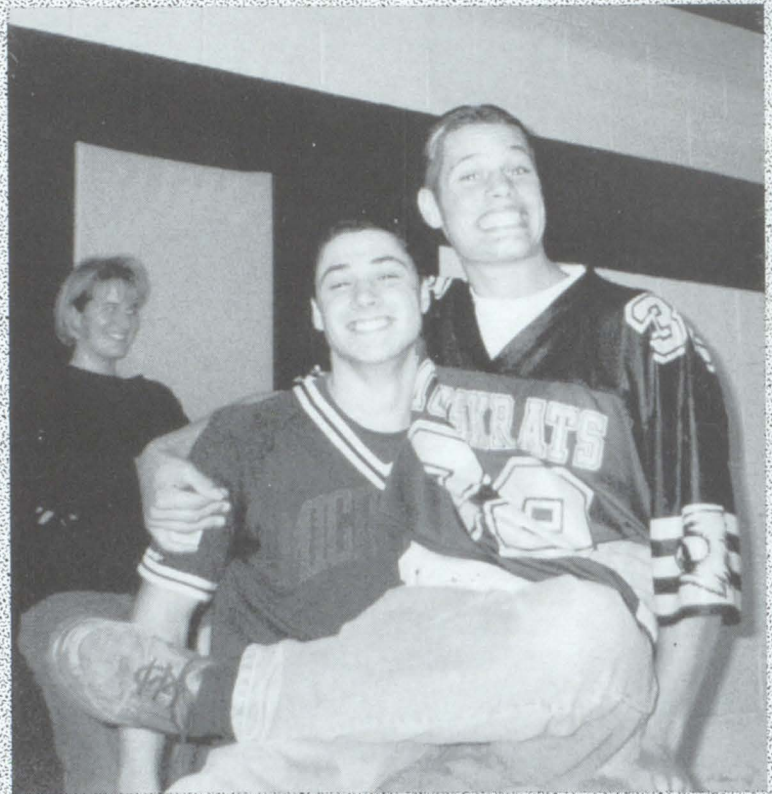
Week ends in one wild time

T rue school spirit shines through the most during the pep assemblies, especially at the homecoming assembly. Students gather in the gym the Friday of the homecoming game to have fun, play games and to get fired up for the big game. "This years assembly was great. I was excited to finally sit in the senior bleachers and be part of the senior banner picture," said Miranda Wesch.

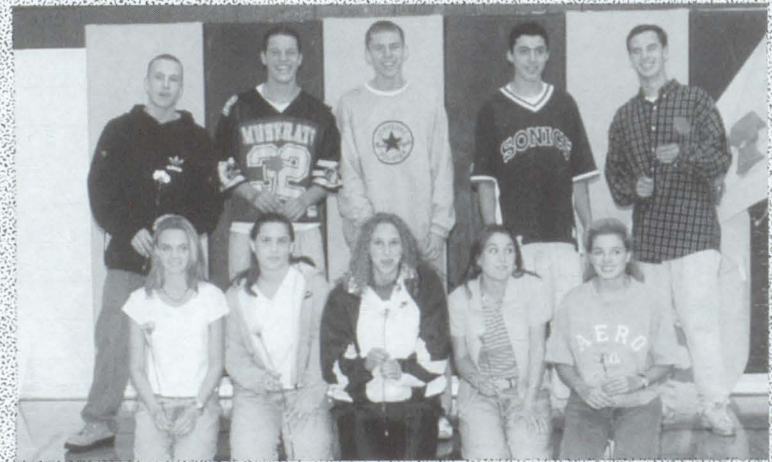
Student Council came up with new games to make the assembly more competitive, and exciting. One games was the ice game, four students sat on a block of ice and remained there until it was over, or unbearable. "It was not that bad, because after a while you could not feel anything anyways," Nick Duprey said. The games that get the best crowd reaction are the more difficult ones like scooter racing with plungers. "It was practically impossible," said Nichole Houf. "I felt like I was kayaking."

With all the chanting and games, the most spirit came when the football players ran through the banner from their locker room into the gym. "It was exciting to bust into the gym with everyone cheering us on. It really made me feel appreciated and proud to be on the football team."

IT'S A BIT COLD Nick Duprey was one of the class representatives chosen to spend the assembly on a block of ice. Fred Makinen joined Nick at the end of the assembly.



INTENSE COMPETITION ... after a week of students pouring money into the money jars, Junior class president Margeaux Peters unveiled the winning class string.



CLASS OF 1998 SEMI FINALISTS: Front Row: Lisa DeLaere, Kate Deane, Nicole Cameron, Liz Deane, Shana Cadena. Back Row: Jason Melnum, Fred Makinen, Nathan Maroney, Cory Jopke, Steve Lochbiler.

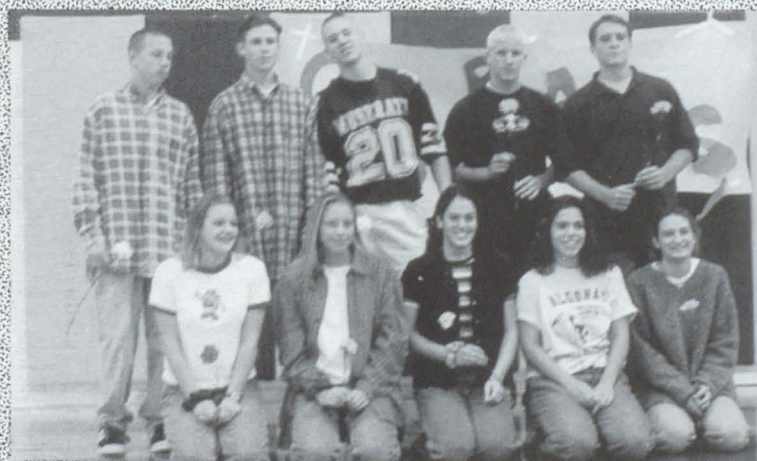
CLASS OF 1997 SEMI FINALISTS: Front Row: Dale Smith, Stephanie Stay, Kelly Hutchins, Jennifer Peterson, Beth Corffs. Second Row: Nicole Rose, Tracey Stephenson, Vanessa Bridenbaugh, Kim Parsons, Brie Bedzinski. Back Row: Gus Castle, Adam Lozen, Dominic Ticeoni, Gordy McCurdy, Keith Ravis, Adam Nixon, Brandon Rank, Jason Schilling, Joe Funke, Phil Clark.





A LITTLE MAKE UP HERE . . . Brent Stevenson gives Amy Sampson a spirit week make over during the pep assembly on October 11.

SURVIVAL OF THE FIT-TEST Dori Glaze and Kevin Davis battle it out to the finish line, scootin' down the gym floor. This game proved to be a ton of laughs as the plungers made the trip down the gym floor nearly impossible.



A BANANA IN THE FACE Justin Hall and Ashley Langdon competed for points by feeding each other with their left hands. The bananas ended up all over faces.



CLASS OF 1999 SEMI FINALISTS: Front Row: Tara Nixon, Erin Rickard, Amy Sampson, Nicki DeVernay, Megan Bosman. Back Row: Jon Pitruccello, Tom Funke, Noah Weiss, Clayton Byerly, Sam Doty.

CLASS OF 2000 SEMI FINALISTS: Front Row: Sarah Cooper, Danielle Eder, Brianna Kaleta, Sarah Prudhomme, Jennifer Green, Kristin Schrader. Back Row: Scott Stay, Kevin Meldrum, Shane Trempler, John Henderson, Audie Daogara.

SENIOR FLOAT '97: "The seniors tried their hardest and knew what we were doing, that's what made us win." Leah Cooper.



JUNIOR FLOAT '98: "It was a lot of fun building the float, but there was too much competition and way too much shaving cream." Amber Brackett.



THE RIVER BOAT QUEEN: Cruising along with the parade, the senior court members wave to their crowd and fulfill memories that will last a lifetime.



SOPHOMORE FLOAT '99: "We worked hard on our float, but not hard enough to win the float competition." Teressa Zelenock.



FRESHMAN FLOAT '00: "I think the Freshmen did a really great job for their first time building a float." Danielle Eder.



HOOFPRINTS ... Members of the Equestrian team Megan Taylor and Jennifer Lenik ride their horses, Sir George Twist and Rusty Jo Bailey in the parade. The Equestrian team was State Reserve Champion.

A parade filled with pride

On a beautiful day, students presented class floats by making their way down M-29 for the Homecoming Parade. Staff, parents, community members, children and business owners gathered along the streets to take pictures, cheer for student participants, and generally get caught up in that overall Homecoming enthusiasm.

SADD, Marching Band, the Equestrian team, and the Cheerleading squad headed off the festivity with the class floats leading behind. The float themes were cities. Judges lined up and gave points by class. At the end, fire engines roared to give the crowd a pure satisfaction of being there.

Senior class court took a ride on the River Queen while worn out rollerbladers hitched a ride. Don Capadagli said, "Sneaking on the River Queen was fun and I will remember that stunt for awhile."

The parade is a key part of Homecoming. After weeks of building the floats, this was the chance to showcase the float and lead into the big event - the game. For this year, the game was extra exciting as the team won their first Homecoming game in years.



LEADING THE CROWD: ... Varsity and JV Cheerleaders, Katy Basehore, Jessica Houf, Sarah Keller, Sarah Drake, Amanda Hardy, Erin Turner, Nichole Houf, Lauren Petre, Brandalynn Hathaway combined to add enthusiasm to the Homecoming parade.



MEMORIES ... For the Class of 1977, this was Homecoming. In 1977, all activities were eliminated meaning no Homecoming. Diane and John Krieg represented their class as the class of '97 shared this special day.

Dreams come true

Many exciting moments filled the night of the Homecoming game on Friday evening, October 11, 1996. For the court members, the evening was filled with moments of anxiety, joy, happiness and surprise. Memories were made that would last a lifetime and dreams would come true for all members of the court.

This year's queen, Kim Parsons said: "I was very shocked and proud when I heard my name announced. I had no idea I'd be chosen. The competition for the Queen was very difficult because every girl on court deserved to win."

"I was very excited and surprised to be King. The crown actually fit pretty good," said Phil Clark, senior class president.

"I was really honored to be on court my senior year knowing that my class supports me," said Gordy McCardy.

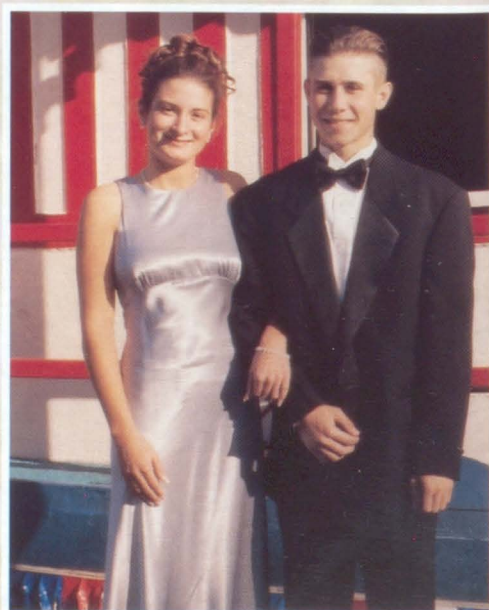
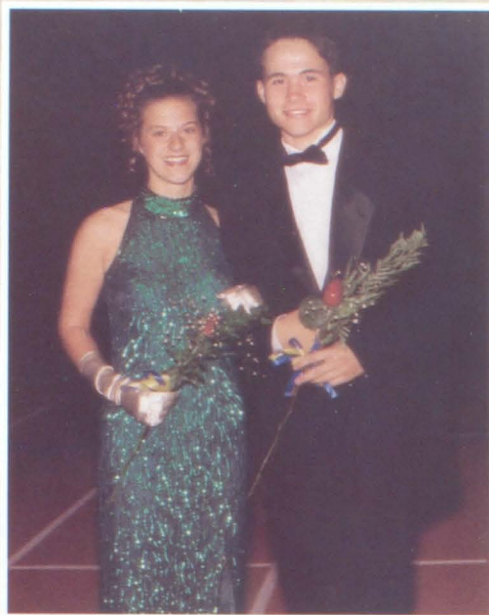
Senior Joe Funke said: "I was very surprised to be voted in the top five my senior year."

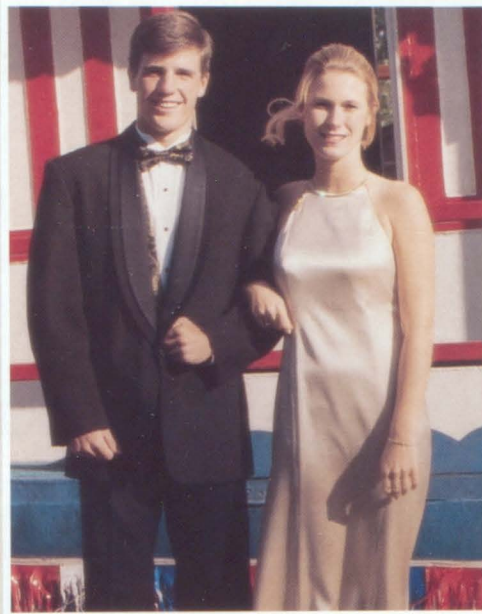
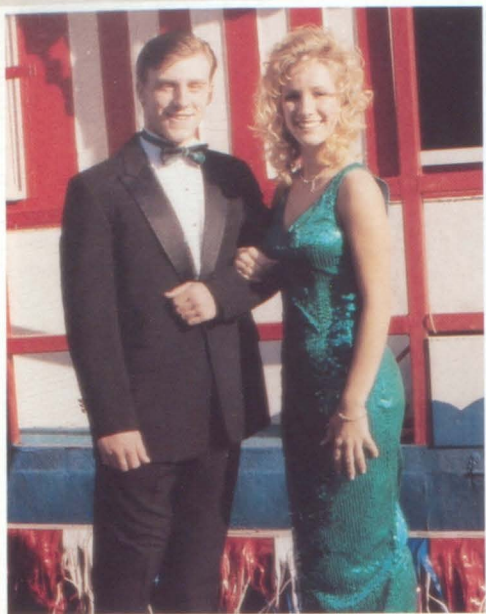
"I was very flattered and excited to be picked. It was a dream come true for me," said Jennifer Peterson.

"It felt good to represent my school and class my senior year," said Keith Ravis.

For the underclassmen, this was the start of homecoming memories. Freshman Danielle Eder said: "I feel really honored to be on court my freshman year. My experience on court was really fun and I'll always remember it."

ROYALTY . . . For Phil Clark and Kim Parsons, it was excitement, flashing cameras and really a dream that came true.





**Senior Homecoming
Representatives:**

Beth Cortis and Joe Funke
Brienne Budzinski and Phil Clark
Gus Castle and Kim Parsons
Gordy McCardy and Kelly Hutchins
Jennifer Peterson and Keith Ravis

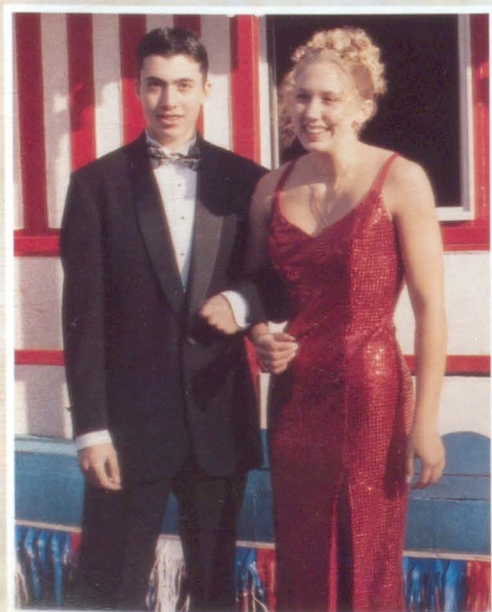
RIVER QUEEN . . . Prior to the parade, senior court members gathered for a group picture prior to the exciting ride down M 29.



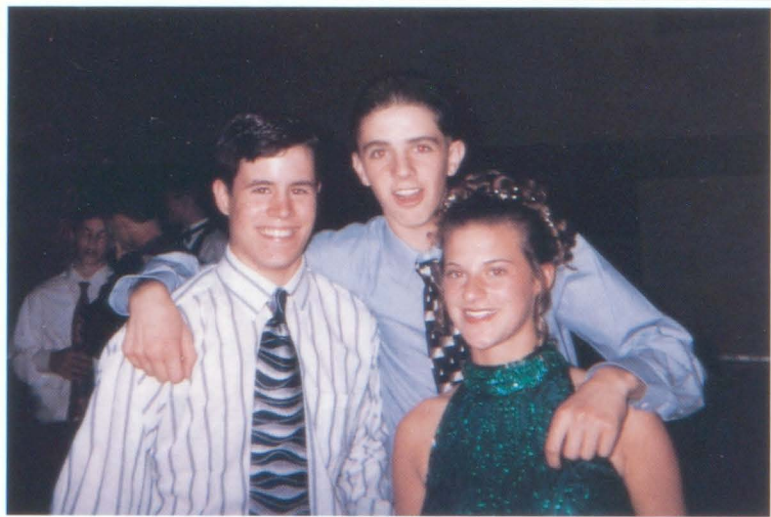
Class of 2000 Representatives:
Shane Trempler and Danielle Eder

Class of 1999 Representatives:
Megan Bosman and Tom Funke

Class of 1998 Representatives:
Corry Jobin and Nicole Cameron

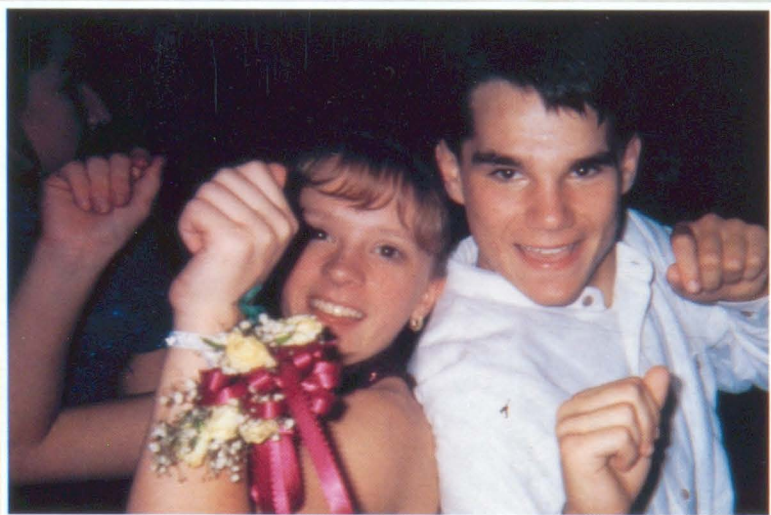
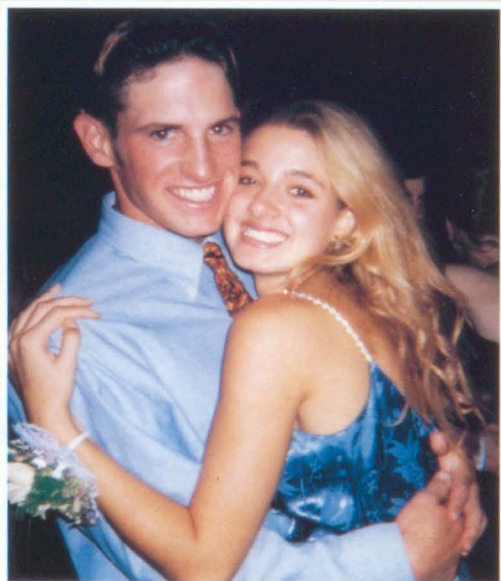


SPECIAL MEMORIES ... Beth Cortis, Willis Hotchkiss and Shaun Campbell take time out to pose for one of the many pictures during the dance.



SLOW DANCING

... A part of any special dance is a the time for slow dancing. Shana Cadena and Justin Filzek dance to Mariah Carey's *One Sweet Day*.



MOVIN' TO THE MUSIC ... Michelle Lupenski and Mike Wilhelm synchronize their favorite steps to form a dynamic duo on the dance floor.



FANCY DRESSES ... good music and fun memories. Kim Steward and Jeff Watson take to the dance floor.

MOVING TO THE BEAT...Teressa Zelenock, Margaux Peters, and Annie Rockwood use their dancing skills and get busy.



ALONG THE LIGHTS... Joslyn Spencer and Amy Hutchins enjoy the city sceanery.

CHECKING IT OUT...Erin Rickard, Nikki Quandt, and Kate Dearie glance around and see what elce is going on.

Dancing the night away

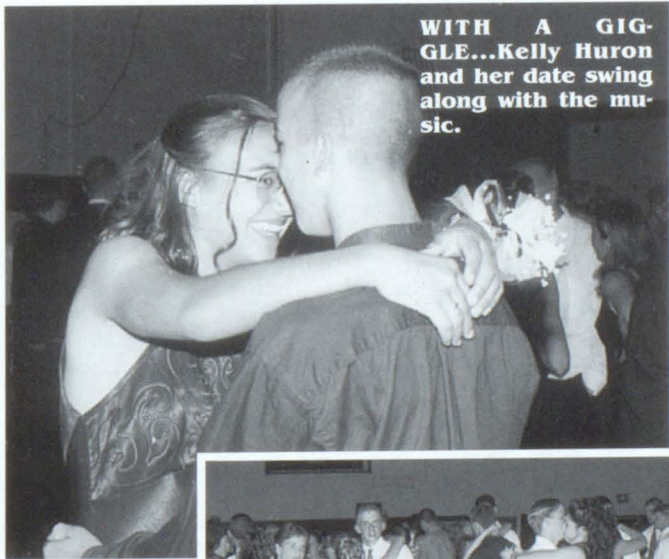
Strobe lights illuminate the gymnasium as you entered. Each set of bleachers were covered by class themes. This tradition was started this year. It took the place of board decorating. Lorrie Roush said, "It was fun. It really helped to decorate the dance."

Cameras flashed continuously through the night. Homecoming was definitely a night to remember. Joy Morris said, "My first homecoming was definitely a night to remember."

Student council purchased an entrance archway

and a city background to help decorate. Student council president Beth Cortis said, "Student council purchased those items because we wanted to make the dance look better and they can be reused for other things."

The dance was held in the gymnasium so once again hard sole shoes weren't permitted. Lisa DeLaere said, "Not wearing shoes is more comfortable, but my feet got really dirty."



WITH A GIGGLE...Kelly Huron and her date swing along with the music.



COUPLES...enjoy dancing the night away. A slow song gives them a chance to make their memories longer.

Rough tough Powder Puff

Not just any game it was war.

On October 9th the senior class battled for victory against the juniors in the second annual powder puff game.

The seniors jogged onto the field dressed for battle in their blue jerseys and puffy painted sweats claiming victory.

The game was tough and the juniors put up a fight but in the end there was a victory for the seniors. The ending score was 18-12 in overtime.

Amanda Hardy "I had a lot of fun at first but some people were taking the game too serious. A lot of us were just there to have fun."

In the second year of powder puff, the teams now had official jerseys. The juniors were in gold and the seniors in blue with their name and chosen number on their back. Melanie Wagner "I had a lot of fun and I was glad we had the jerseys our senior year because we didn't last year."

With powder puff being a part of Spirit

Week, points were given to to each class for their attendance at the game. "It was my favorite part of Spirit Week, both teams played a good game. I had a lot of fun." Katy Basehore

Powder Puff was started by the newspaper and yearbook classes for two specific reasons. First of all as a fundraiser to help the publications classes, and second to increase and motivate spirit shown in school.

"It was a real thrill to trample on the Juniors, but it was taken out of control when the profanity broke out "Nicole Rose.

This year the game was set up a little differently than last. Instead of there being a night assembly after the game, it was during half-time. People were called down from the stands to participate in games that earned them extra points according to class. The attendance at the powder puff game also helped each class earn points toward the class of the year competition.

ON THE LINE... The juniors and senior girls go down on the line ready for the next play. Senior Heather Horvath holds her stance.



Junior Powder Puff: First Row: Jenny Lenik, Annie Rockwood, Liz Dearie, Kim Steward, Megan Taylor Second Row: Michelle Lupenski, Lisa DeLaere, Cassi Bommarito, Amanda Hardy, Angi Gerald, Amy Howard, Shana Cadena, Kate Dearie, Pat Thomas Third Row: Lindsay Kulba, Melissa Smith, Stacey Bark Melissa Pauwels, Stephanie Zyrd, Katy Basehore, Julie Walters Back Row: Todd Lang, Melanie Foster, Christina Coughlin, Amber Tymczak, Courtney Pioszak, Nicole Quandt, Sarah Nowicki, Nicole Cameron, Ray Clark

AIMING FOR THE GOAL... Lisa Prayter runs down the field trying to score a touchdown for the seniors.



DEFENSE.... On the field Nicole Cameron and Jennifer Lenik playing offense for the juniors, wait for quarterback, Kim Steward, to call the play.

GET THAT FLAG... Kelly Hutchins grabs for the flag stopping Melissa Trempler's attempt for a touch down.



SCORING POWER... Senior Jennifer Peterson runs with the ball to score one of the three touchdowns for the seniors.



Senior Powder Puff: Front Row: Kelly Heron, Brandi Henemann, Heather Horvath, Ericka Hildreth, Jennifer Peterson, Beth Cortis, Renee Bauer, Dale Smith Second Row: Tammy Dumond, Kelly Hutchins, Kim Parsons, Nicole Rose, Amy Briskey, Melanie Wagner, Lisa Prayter Third Row: Gloria Clarke, Stephanie Stay, Renee Woolcock, Tina Garrido, Carrie Bechill, Brie Budzinski, Lauren Petre, Erica Davey Back Row: Don Capagdali, Jason Desot, Keith Ravis, Mr. Mark Simms, Jeff Watson

Traditions...good byes...Class of '96 bids farewell

Symbolic endings come in two traditional ceremonies. First, on May 31st, 1996, the annual honors assembly took place. For the seniors, this was their first official step towards graduation.

"I feel proud to finish high school with all the honors and accomplishments I achieved," said Emili Lamb.

Traditional awards and college scholarships were highlights of the morning. "I am most proud of my attendance award out of all the awards I got because I worked very hard for four years to keep good attendance," said Heather Arneil.

The final step took place on June 7th as the seniors marched onto the football field to receive their diplomas.

The last annual event for the seniors was the senior all night party put on by their parents. They had many things to do such as: playing laser tag, gambling, jumping on a moonwalk, rollerskating and relaxing in a hot tub. "It was alright, I like the gambling the most," said Chris McCollom. "It was fun, I enjoyed rollerskating and the hot tub best," said Brian Lorkowski.

HARSEN'S ISLAND SCHOLARSHIP... winners Nicole Korhtals, Tony Bondy, and Fred Drob, received certificates and awards from community groups.



AWARD WINNING SENIORS... smile proudly with their accomplishments. *Front row:* Heather Arneil, Andrea Taylor, Laura Beyer, Jeff Krum, Kate Budzinski, Julie Jobin, Emili Lamb, Diana Latour, and Carrie Stephenson. *Middle row:* Corie Stuart, Melissa Mantyk, Jaime Peterson, Jason Gohl, Nicole Carroll, Eric Ellis, Jason Ford, Jaynee Newlin, and Erin Springborn. *Back row:* Melanie Schrader, Stacia Foster, Ed Franz, Matt Stahl, and Shannon Caroland.

THE GREEN CHORAL AWARD ... is a prestigious honor for a chorus member. Mr. Dennis McMaken presents Jaime Peterson with this honorable award.



SYMBOLIC CHANGE OF POWER... Heather Arneil passes the class color horseshoe to class president for 1997 — Phil Clark.

MAKING HER LAST SPEECH... Student council president, Kate Budzinski, gives her final graduation speech.



HONOR ROLL CERTIFICATES recognized scholastic achievement in high school for Sheri Kowalski, Kate Budzinski, Emili Lamb, and Kim Cadena.



SURPRISED, HAPPY... and a little sad the senior class of '96 spend one of their last moments together at graduation.

Prom '96 . . . This Magic Moment

A night filled with magic and memories

Prom, the night of all nights, was held at Thomas Edison Inn in Port Huron on May 11, 1996

"Our decision to have prom at the Thomas Edison Inn was because everyone liked the room, the food menu, and it was by far the best place we looked at," said Beth Cortis

While students worried over what dress to wear and where to get their dates corsage, the junior class was busy planning. They raised money by having a car wash, selling Morley Candy, and having a pancake breakfast at McDonalds.

"I enjoyed getting everything ready with everyone the morning of prom. Everything went really well, and it was nice to know we had a part of making it that way," said Nicole Rose

Students came in to the teal, rose, and silver decorated hall where they received a bag of pens, candy, and a

key chain as they waited to be announced by Mrs. Cheryl Schamweber, and her husband Steve. After dinner was served couples danced to the music of Brian Harper and Company. Ballots were then counted and Desiree Mangiapane and Chris McCollum were crowned king and queen. "I was surprised because I was thinking, what nerd was going to be crowned king this year, and I ended up being that nerd," said Chris McCollum.

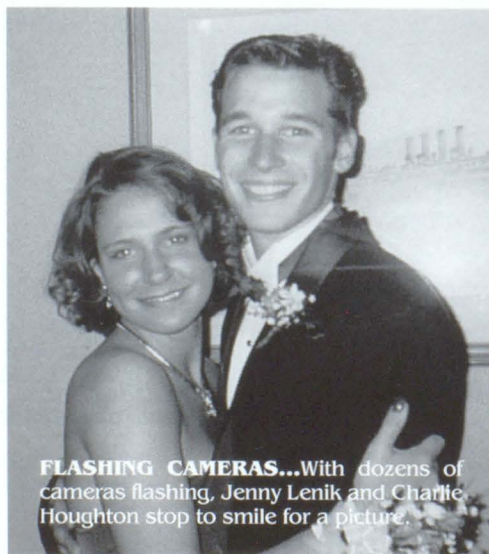
"I had a good time and the best part was when I found twenty dollars while waiting in line to get my pictures taken," said Sarah Nowicki

Katie May said "I had a great time and it was more than what I expected."

CREATING TEAL, ROSE AND SILVER...After waking up early to decorate the hall the junior prom decorating committee stops to take a group picture.



*The Junior Class of
Algonac High School
requests the pleasure of your company
at the
Junior - Senior Prom
on Saturday, the eleventh of May
Nineteen hundred and ninety-six
at seven in the evening
Thomas Edison Inn*



FLASHING CAMERAS...With dozens of cameras flashing, Jenny Lenik and Charlie Houghton stop to smile for a picture.



KING AND QUEEN...Junior class president Beth Cortis announces the long awaited names of who will be crowned king and queen.

TOUGH GUYS...Gus Castle, Jeremy Glowski, Brandon Rank, and Gordy McCarty show off their muscles.

ROYALTY...After being crowned king and queen Chris McCollum and Desiree Mangiapane dance to "I Swear"



DANCE FEVER...Busting a move out on the dance floor, Phil Clark shows off some of his new dance moves.



DANCING, TUNES...A crowded dance floor, good d.j., enthusiastic prom goers - a perfect prom night.

Lights, camera, action . . .

With ambition to learn and to go forth, students found themselves leaving their shy side behind. The drama class worked exceptionally hard to complete and perform the four plays for enthusiastic audiences.

"A Fifth Night of One Acts" was performed on November 14th and 15th. Director Adam Drake says "Being a student director has been one of the most interesting things I've ever done in drama. It was a good learning experience, and it's a great feeling when you get recognition."

Mr. Shafer, the man that makes it all happen said, "Needed to make the production successful: patience, dedication, and committing your lines to memory."

This year's performances consisted of four short plays: "Cotton Girls", di-

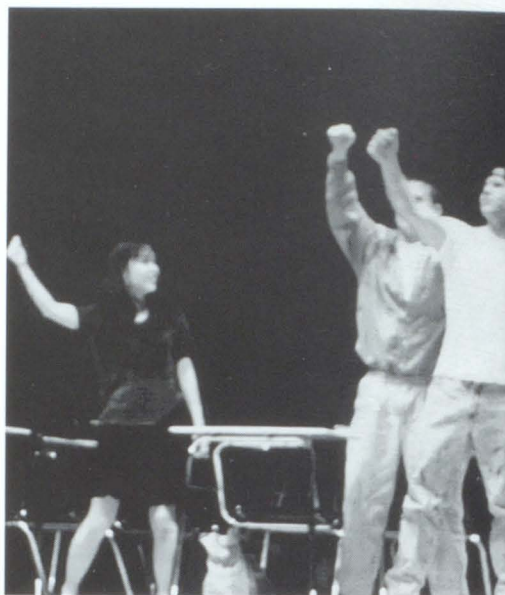
rected by Dale Smith, "Why Teachers Go Nuts", directed by Adam Drake, "The Wall", directed by Phil Clark, and "Our Night Out", directed by Lauren Petre.

Dale Smith, a 3rd year member said, "The good thing about being a director is that you can change things to make it better, and the teacher is not around 24/7 watching every move you make."

"Our Night Out", a play directed by Lauren Petre. This play was based on real life. "It is basically an exaggerated story of real life events that happen. My friends and I always complain about how skinny people get anything they want and we can't." said Lauren Petre.

Over all, the cast had an excellent performance and a great outcome.

REVOLTING AGAINST THE TEACHER... Sun Oak Kim, Ray Clark, Jeff Watson, Angie Gerald, Megan Taylor, Erika Hildreth, Jenny Forshee, and Brandon Rank, raise their fists in another attempt to drive their teacher nuts.



DRAMA CLASS '96, '97.... Front row: Brandon Rank, Lauren Petre, Phil Clark, Dale Smith, Tracey Stephenson, Adam Drake, Lynn Mackie. Second row: Valerie Perrin, Sun Oak Kim, Jenny Forshee, Devona Becker, Ericka Hildreth, Amelia Kreilter, Renee Woolcock. Third row: Valerie Monet, Angie Knight, Rick Hornbaker, Nikki Quandt, Shana Cadena, Megan Taylor, Amy Howard, Melanie Foster. Fourth row: Christina Coughlin, Annie Rockwood, Margeaux Peters, Angie Gerald, Jeff Watson, Ray Clark, James Fernandez.



TIME WELL SPENT... After taking a walk down memory lane, Valerie Perrin, Lynn Mackie, Phil Clark, and Tracey Stephenson, notice it is time to leave.



SWINGING THEIR THOUGHTS... Three cotton girls, Shana Cadena, Dale Smith, and Christina Coughlin spill their guts while stuck on the ferris wheel.

A SAD MOMENT... Phil Clark unleashes his emotions after losing his brother in the Vietnam War.

LOSING CONTROL... Angie Knight, a school teacher loses cool when her class goes crazy.



RE-CAPPING THE MOMENT... Rick Hornbaker, Margeaux Peters, Annie Rockwood, Amy Howard, Valerie Monet, Lauren Petre and Amelia Kreilter discuss their plans for the night.

Rat pack rocks the runway!

As the lights grew dim, the more enthusiastic the crowd became on January 31, 1997. Guys working the runway, music blaring out the speakers, the crowd going crazy, teachers unwinding from a usual day at school. The Mr. Muskrat assembly begins.

In their skit Fred Makinen and Steve Lochbiler dressed as overweight old men trying to cook pies but actually ended up wearing them along with some of the crowd. Their reactions toward the Mr. Muskrat assembly was "It was fun, I liked a lot, and I can't wait to do it next year," said junior Fred Makinen. "It was pretty cool, I thought it was gonna be scary, but it turned out to be o.k.," said junior Steve Lochbiler.

Representing yearbook, junior Josh Burr said, "This is the first time the audience actually behaved without vulgar language and throwing things."

Rick Rank represented the sophomore class and admitted it was fun to walk down the runway and show off his body, and also thought it was fun to watch all the silly people get together and show their talents. Two different bands were there to perform for the crowd by getting them all crazed. "It was a wonderful time playing for all the screaming fans of Algonac High School," said senior Dan Rose.

When the teachers voted they couldn't just pick one. It was a tie between Mr. Dave Kochan and Mr. Mark Simms. Everyone was amazed when they saw two ordinary teachers jumpin' around on stage to the House of Pain! "It was a very entertaining and enjoyable event, I was very honored to take part in it," said teacher Mr. Kochan. "I had fun, and I think some people can have fun without offending other people," said teacher Mr. Simms.

SHAKE-N-BAKE... Fred Makinen and Steve Lochbiler are doing their impression of overweight old men cooking.



MR. MUSKRAT CANDIDATES ...

Band — Ian Conyers
Varsity Baseball — Jimmy Lanvers
JV Baseball — James Rappaport
9th Grade Basketball — Mike Gohl
Varsity Basketball — Jeff Watson
Varsity Cheerleading — Dan Rose
JV Cheerleading — Joe Werner
Color Guard — Jon Moroschan
Cross Country — Rick Hornbaker
Cross Country — Gordy McCarty
Dance Team — Adam Nixon
Drama — Phil Clark
Varsity Football — Gary Funke
JV Football — Dustin Boyd
Freshmen Football — Dave Kuecken
Freshmen — Keith Ravis
Jazz Band — Matt Blanck
Juniors — Steve Lochbiler
NHS — Adam King
Newspaper — James Fernandez
Quiz Bowl — Mike Zamesnik
Rainbow — Adam Drake
SADD — Tony Folkerts
Seniors — Jason Glowski
Softball — Fred Makinen
Sophomores — Rick Rank
Student Council — Mike Bristol
Teachers — Mr. Kochan, Mr. Simms
Tennis — Tom Funke
Track — Mike Hale
Track — Loren Myny
Volleyball — Mike Wilhelm



SINGING TRIO... Adam Drake, Jason Glowski, and Phil Clark perform a little number by Boyz to Men.

UNCHAINED MELODIES... Jamie Altman sings *Wind Beneath My Wings* as his talent during the assembly.

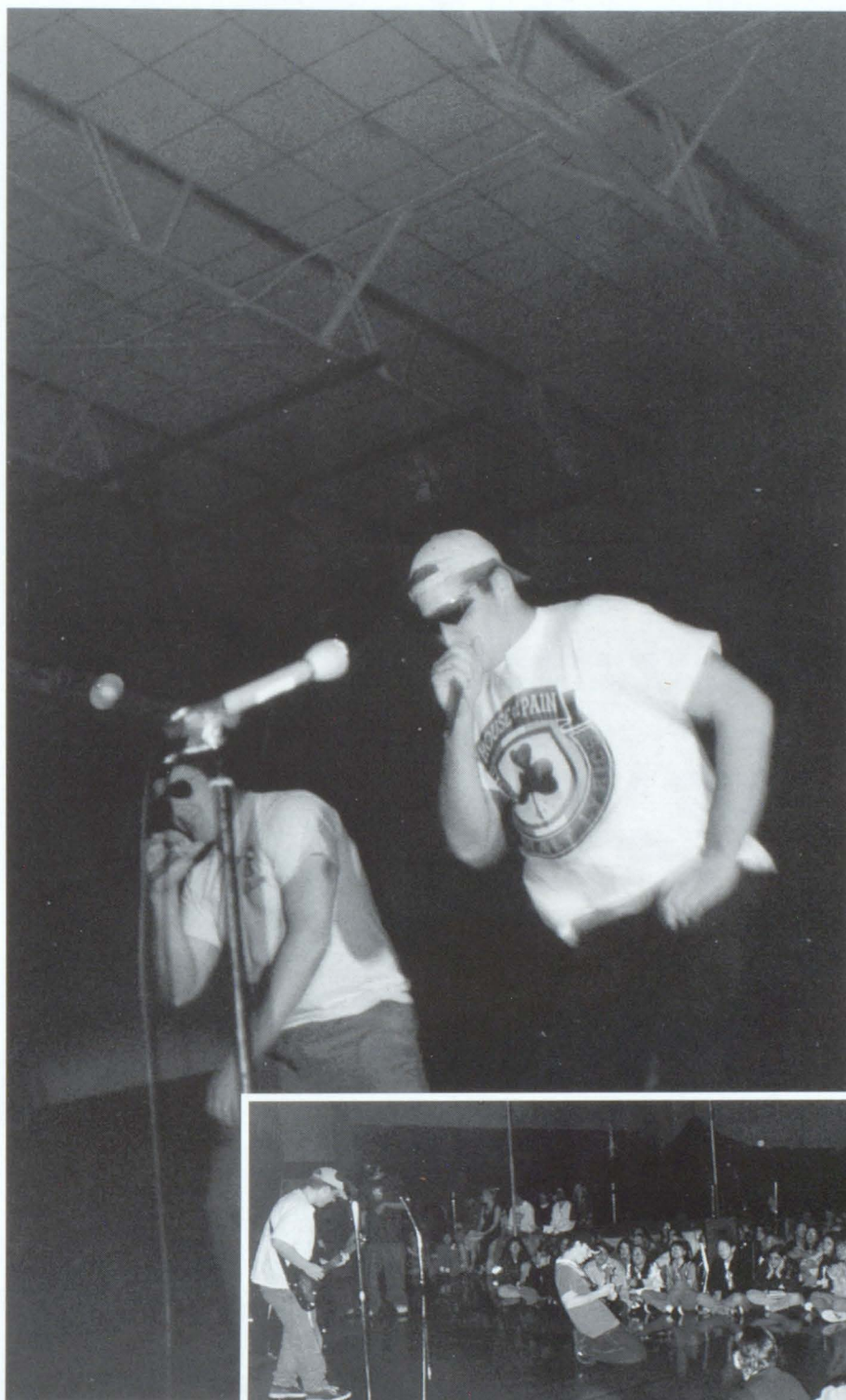


LEATHER MAN... Adam King (A.K.A L. L. Cool A.) struts his stuff down the runway.

DANCE, DANCE, DANCE...Loren Myny, Nick Duprey, Gordy McCardy, Josh Burr, and Mike Hale do their impression of the dance team.



"JUMPIN' AROUND"... Mr. Simms and Mr. Kochan groove to the music of House of Pain.



STRUMMING THE GUITAR...Dan Rose, Warren Doss, David Rose, Ian Conyers played music from the Dave Mathews Band.

Variety of clubs reflect students' interests

Besides sports, there are many extra curricular activities that are available for students. Some students participate in clubs which are Dance Team, Quiz Bowl, and Equestrian Team.

This is the first year that AHS has offered Dance to students. The Dance Team was choreographed by Ms. Lori Forst and organized by Mrs. Jill Hutchins. The Dance Team performed during half-time at basketball and wrestling games to music such as "Staying Alive" and "Another Night". Senior Renee Woolcock said, "It was a lot of fun being part of the team, but I feel that we needed more support from the people in the school."

Another club is Quiz Bowl. The Quiz Bowl team is part of the Blue Water Quiz Bowl League and competes in seven matches and the tournament, which was held here. Quiz Bowl is similar to the popular game show, "Jeopardy". Mr. Lou Rameau, who coaches Varsity and JV Quiz Bowl said, "This year's team is very competitive. They showed improvement as the season went by. We had some very close matches this year against Yale and Marysville."

The Equestrian Team is stronger than ever. As an "A" team in District 12, they defeated strong teams including Port Huron and Port Huron Northern. Jenny Lenik captured the title as All-District Rider with 111 points, five riders were on All-District A-team, and three riders were on All-district B-team. At states, the team gave Dexter Equestrian Team a run for their money by placing Reserve State Champions at a mere 46.5 points.

"Even though it was rainy and muddy at the districts show, we kicked butt as a team and we had a lot of fun," Junior Erin McNeely said.

The many small clubs at AHS create a variety of activities for students to participate in.

SPLASHING THROUGH THE MUD AND THE MUCK. . Junior Heather Rymar finishes her flawless Western Reining pattern aboard her horse Silent Salutation.



Quiz Bowl: Front Row: Mike Zamesnik, Gary Haack, Rachel Vinson, Phil Clark, Becky Besaw, and Kristen Gogolen. Second Row: Jessica Zoss, Sherrie Grissom, Erin Weatherdon, Adam King and Valerie Monet. Back Row: Steve Vogler, Christine Worswick, Rick Bechill, James Kandler, and Coach Lou Rameau.



1996-97 EQUESTRIAN TEAM: First Row, Jenny Lenik. Second Row, Meggen Morrow, Heather Rymar, Erin McNeely, Misty Harvey, and Jennifer Horvath. Back Row: Paul Mastej and Mike Mastej. Not pictured: Melissa Trempler and Megan Taylor.



PERFORMING AT THE PALACE. . . Dance Team members dance the night away for the fans at the Palace of Auburn Hills during half time of the Varsity Basketball game versus the Richmond Blue Devils.



WAITING TO EXHALE. . . Dressed in English attire, Paul Mastej, Jenny Lenik and Megan Taylor patiently await in "the chute" with their horses Christopher Cross, Rusty Jo Bailey, and Bar Jet Supreme. They showed in the Saddleseat Showmanship class at the MIHA State Championship Show at the Michigan State Fairgrounds.

STRETCHING OUT . . . The Dance Team takes time to stretch out at MC Dance Studio together before beginning their dance routine. Their instructor Lori Forst leads them with a basic warm up drill.



1997 Dance Team: Front Row: Amy Hutchins. Second Row: Brie Budzinski, Beth Cortis, Kelly Hutchins and Jennifer Peterson. Back Row: Renee Woolcock, Melissa Voakes, Kelly Langdon and Melissa Pauwels.

New advisor, new office, new beginning

Spirit week, homecoming, raising money and assemblies are all part of the responsibilities of Student Council members along with all the meetings and after school committees.

Student Council welcomed Mrs. Paula Johnson as their new advisor "I loved being the student council advisor at the junior high and I was fortunate enough that there was an opening here at the high school. It's exciting to be involved," said Mrs. Johnson.

Another new addition to Student Council this year was the office. Members thought it would be a good idea to turn the old ISS (In School Suspension) room into a place for meetings and a place to post upcoming events. During the summer before school started, members painted the walls, and brought in old furniture and carpet to decorate the room.

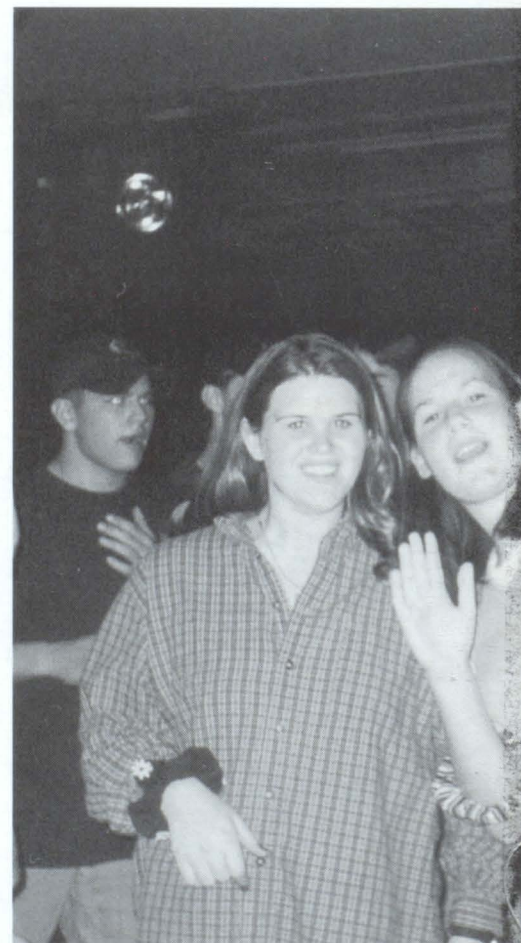
Student Council members help out the less fortunate a lot during the holidays. Canned food drives, Down River Nutrition Programs, and soup kitchens are just some of the involvements that members take place in. Sophomore vice-president Tara Nixon said "I chose to be on Student Council so I could get involved in student activities, both inside and out of school."

One thing that will never be changed is the promoting of school spirit. Student Council members are in charge of most assemblies including the homecoming assemblies and other homecoming festivities. Renee Bauer said "I think Student Council improves spirit and organizes activities well so everyone likes them."

HOLIDAY SPIRIT... Decorating the commons area during the holidays is an annual activity, as Margeaux Peters puts the finishing touches on the message board.



Student Council front row: Stephanie Stay, Adam King, Jennifer Peterson, Kim Parsons, Shannon Wilson, Beth Cortis, Kelly Hutchins, Renee Woolcock, Phil Clark, Brienne Budzynski, Leah Cooper second row: Carrie Bechill, Kelly Langdon, Cassi Bommarito, Annie Rockwood, Nicole Quandt, Melissa Pauwels, Stephanie Zryd, Nicole Cameron, Adam Drake third row: Erica Worthen, Amy Sampson, Elaine Holmes, Erin Rickard, Nikki DuVerney, Jodi Mackie, Stephanie Goral, Mike Bristol back row: Mrs. Paula Johnson, Heather Durkee, Sarah Cooper, Sarah Prudhomme, Jennifer Green, Amy Hutchins, Danielle Eder, Sandy Pauwels, Melanie Zamborowski Not Pictured: Nicole Rose, Renee Bauer, Jenny Forshee, Heather Horvath, Margeaux Peters, Theresa Stahl, Courtney Pioszak, Lisa Delaere, Tammy Thomes, Rebecca Gates, Tara Nixon, Amanda Puranen, Chantelle Gendron, Samantha Hallman, Tina Sykes, Teresa Zelenock, Tina Peters, Breanna Avers, Krystal Brisse, Sheena Gonzales, Lisa Hampe, Kristen Krawczyk, Meggan Morrow, Joslyn Spencer, Joe Treppa, Stuart Wenz



CLASS OF THE YEAR... During Spirit Week Renee Woolcock, Jodie Mackie, and Heather Durkee go to classes to count who participated in raising points.

FUNDRAISERS... Raising money for prom is a key problem for juniors. Shana Cadena wheels down to the cafeteria to sell candy at lunch.



COMING TO AN END... Beth Cortis, Renee Baur, Leah Cooper, and Stephanie Stay brainstorm for ideas for the senior song and flower.



ALL SMILES... Leah Cooper, Carrie Bechill, and Jennifer Forshee smile brightly as they dance the night away at their last euchre dance.



COUNTING BALLOTS... Who will be homecoming king and queen? Beth Cortis, Kelly Hutchins, and Stephanie Stay get the ballots organized, so every student can vote.

PHOTO OPS... Stephanie Stay, senior editor, and Courtney Pioszak take time out to take a picture while visiting Michigan State for the MIPA Conference.



Getting It Together

Many challenges face the yearbook staff once the year begins. Deadlines, pictures, interviews and stress are just a few of the many obstacles the staff must overcome to produce an award winning book. Staff members must first learn to design layouts and write copy.

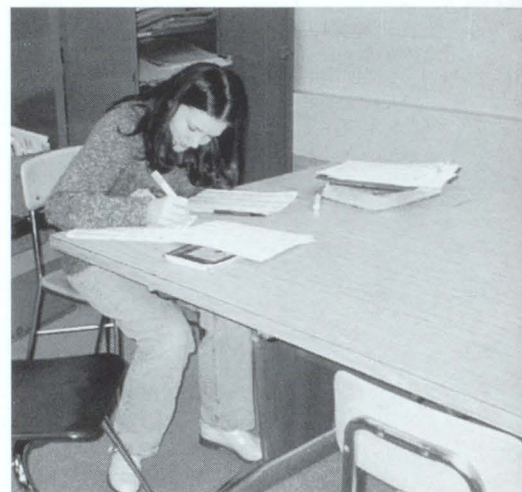
To publish a quality yearbook, a lot of time and dedication is needed. Heather Rymar said: "Getting quality work on time to the publishing company is the most important part of yearbook."

Of all the traditional layouts, Kelly Hutchins said: "I like the Homecoming section color pages because it is bright and stands out." Although there are only 32 color pages, they seem to be the most popular.

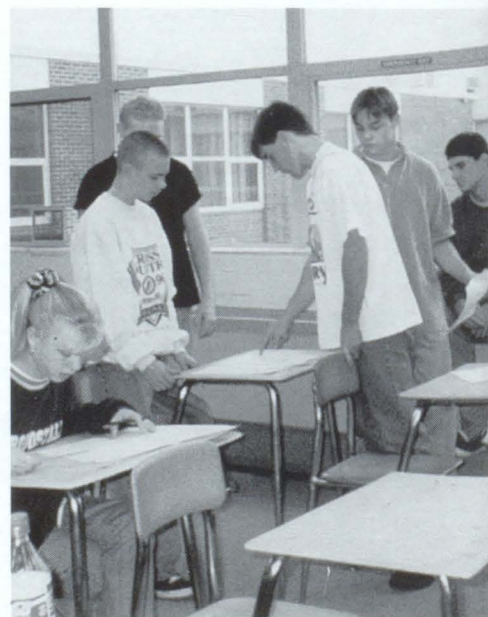
A lot of effort between the staff, editors, and adviser is needed for the completion of a good book. Mrs. Ruth Mavis said: "The advice I would give to students trying to get into yearbook would be to understand it requires a lot of

dedication, commitment and it is not as easy as it looks."

The '97 edition contains many new features including a new cover design and additional color pages. Part of this is possible because of the addition of new computers. Nicole Cameron said: "The computer layout system is fairly new and helps keep the layouts more organized."



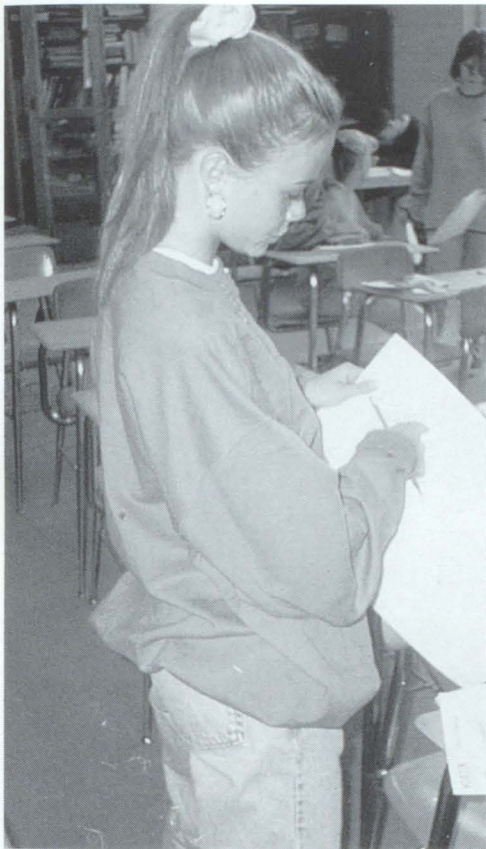
Yearbook: Front Row: Carrie Bechill, Dale Smith, Heather Rymar, Shannon Wilson, Beth Cortis, Stephanie Stay, Kelly Hutchins, Gordy McCardy, Adam Nixon. Second Row: Brandi Henneman, Amber Couture, Danielle Falkiewicz, Tami Johnson, Courtney Pioszak, Lisa DeLaere, Mike Wilhelm, Nicole Rose, Chad Wesch. Third Row: Dana Smith, Jeff Sperry, Andrea Kazor, Christina Mahac, Kelly Heron, Teressa Zelenock, Sandy Harrington, Kerry Capadagli. Back Row: Mrs. Ruth Mavis, Justine Chontos, Nicole Cameron, Amber Brackett, Tami Tomes, Nathan Smith. Not Pictured: Reyne Medestino, Loren Myny, Jenny Sutton



SPORTS SECTION EDITORS... Gordy McCardy and Chad Wesch help Loren Myny and Sandy Harrington finish a layout as Adam Nixon sneaks a peak.

KEEPING IN ORDER... People editor Tami Tomes sorts the names of ninth, tenth and eleventh graders for their school pictures.

LEARNING THE ROPES...First year student Lisa DeLaere works independently on her first layout spread.



BEHIND THE SCENES...Nathan Smith develops one of the many pictures for the yearbook.



ADDING ADVICE...As the adviser, Mrs. Ruth Mavis's job is to give advice. She gets down on her knees to point out academic ideas to Reyne Modestino.



COMMITMENT...Editors Stephanie Stay, Beth Cortis and Kelly Hutchins work hard to organize the yearbook money receipts.

Rat review remains on top

Journalism demands qualities including responsibility, creativity, patience, and dedication. Newspaper advisor Mr. Dan Shafer said, "This class teaches responsibility to work with others and also simulates the working environment." Students in this class don't just work with their friends, they learn to work with others as well. "Newspaper teaches you responsibility, it functions like a real world job," said Lauren Petre. For students, the reality is that the deadline must be met on time and accurately. This is just like a real world job situation.

This is the first time in six years that this class has had only one edi-

tor. Erica Davey the editor said, "The most difficult thing is when you think you caught all the grammatical mistakes on the stories and the paper comes back with mistakes."

New computers in this class helped students do their layout designs and copy. With updated computers available and a laser printer in the publications office deadlines seem to be a little less stressful. "I'm really glad we've got new computers because it saves us a lot of time and our paper has gotten a lot better because of it," explained Brie Budzynski.

Being in this newspaper class has its rewards. The *Rat Review* participates in a number of journalism competitions

including the MIPA (Michigan Interscholastic Association) and GLIPA (Great Lakes Interscholastic Press Association). Keeping up with quality is important as the staff aims for another Spartan. "No one realizes the pressures of newspaper until deadline is just around the corner," said Ericka Hildreth.

Through good times and bad, the staff sticks together to the finish. The *Rat Review* is very popular with the students and faculty. "I think that everyone should buy *Rat Review* because I know everything that's in it and it's cool!" said Rene Davey.

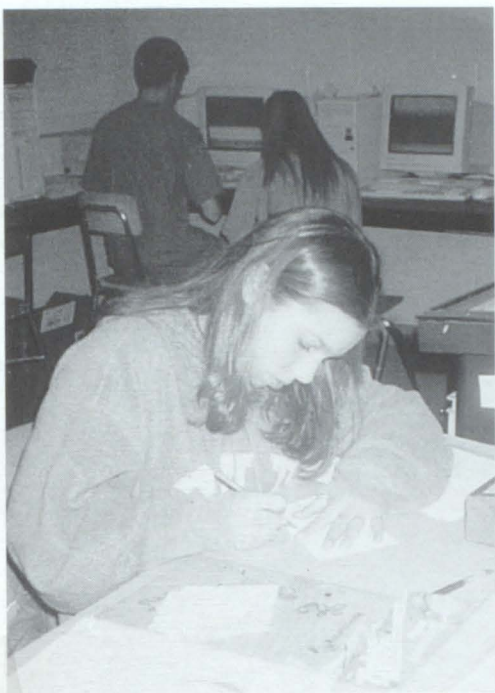
Challenges abound as the staff researches and deals with a variety of issues with the end result being quality.

WORKING ON THE CAMERA...Melanie Wagner and Bobby Schrader adjust the film.

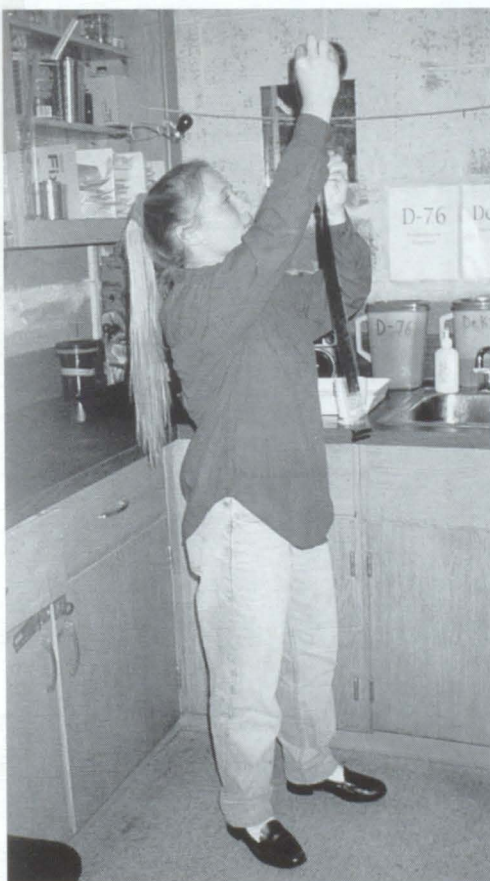


Rat Review: Front Row: Lauren Petre, Melanie Wagner, Jennifer Peterson, Erica Davey, Renee Bauer, Keith Ravis, Brienne Budzynski, Ericka Hildreth Middle Row: Sara Hollen, Kim Parsons, Phil Clark, Brandi Henneman, Margeaux Peters, Bobby Schrader, Cassi Bommarito, Mike Wright, Richard Pearson Back Row: James Fernandez, Crystal Billiu, Christina Coughlin, Megan Taylor, Kelly Heron, Theresa Stahl, Dan Rose, Angi Gerald, Stephanie Funke, Ben Clark, Lynnette Falkiewicz, Rene Davey Not Pictured: Vanessa Bridenbaugh

DEEP IN THOUGHT... Rene Davey concentrates on perfecting her layout.



WORKING HARD... on revising copy and layout the Rat Review adviser, Mr. Dan Shafer, assists Angi Gerald and Crystal Billiu in being more creative. Working together, newspaper production class becomes a learn on the job situation.



WHICH PICTURE... to use? Jennifer Peterson looks through negatives to find a good Varsity Football shot.

A TRIP TO LANSING... After attending classes at the MIPA conference Angi Gerald, Ericka Hildreth, Renee Bauer, Jeff Sperry, and Amber Couture got together and shopped until they dropped before the bus departed.



A DEADLINE HASSLE... Busy editor, Erica Davey finds that there is always something to do and someone who always needs her attention.

Keeping the beat...

From summer practices to band camp to competitions, the marching band was on the field 10-12 hours a week for practice getting ready to compete.

Dedication is a lot of what you need to be a part of all this, and then of course you need time.

This year the band marched to Tchaikovsky's Romeo and Juliet with the colorguard as Juliet and the trumpets as Romeo. The rest of the band was portrayed as the Capulets and Montague families. The story of Romeo and Juliet was told on the field through their drill, guard work and music.

This year's field commanders were Drum Major: Eric Shumaker Colorguard Captains: Kendra Mondello and Katy Weichel, Percussion sergeant: Dan Rose. "When you get off the field you should have a feeling of accom-

plishment. You should know that you did your best and no one could have pushed you harder," said Katy Weichel.

This year brought out a lot of changes. There has been discussion of there not being a competitive marching band next year due to the lack of musical merit. This would give more time for the study of music theory and symphonic band.

Trying to live up to the name Pride of the Bluewater area is one of the many feats the Marching band tries to accomplish. Hard work is needed to do good on and off the field.

There is a lot of involvement by the parents in the band program. The band boosters go to every competition helping with the pit and guard equipment and for just being the audience.

AS THE BAND PERFORMS... on the field Hope Dunlap and Mandy Stier keep their full attention on the drum major.



This Years Placements:

Huron Valley: Second
Clarkston: Third
Novi: First - Best Music, Best Percussion, Best Guard, Best Marching and Manuevering
Livonia Franklin: First - Best Marching and Manuevering, Best Guard
Atwood: Third
Plymouth: Second - Best Percussion
John Glenn: First - Best Marching and Manuevering, Best Guard
States: Fourth



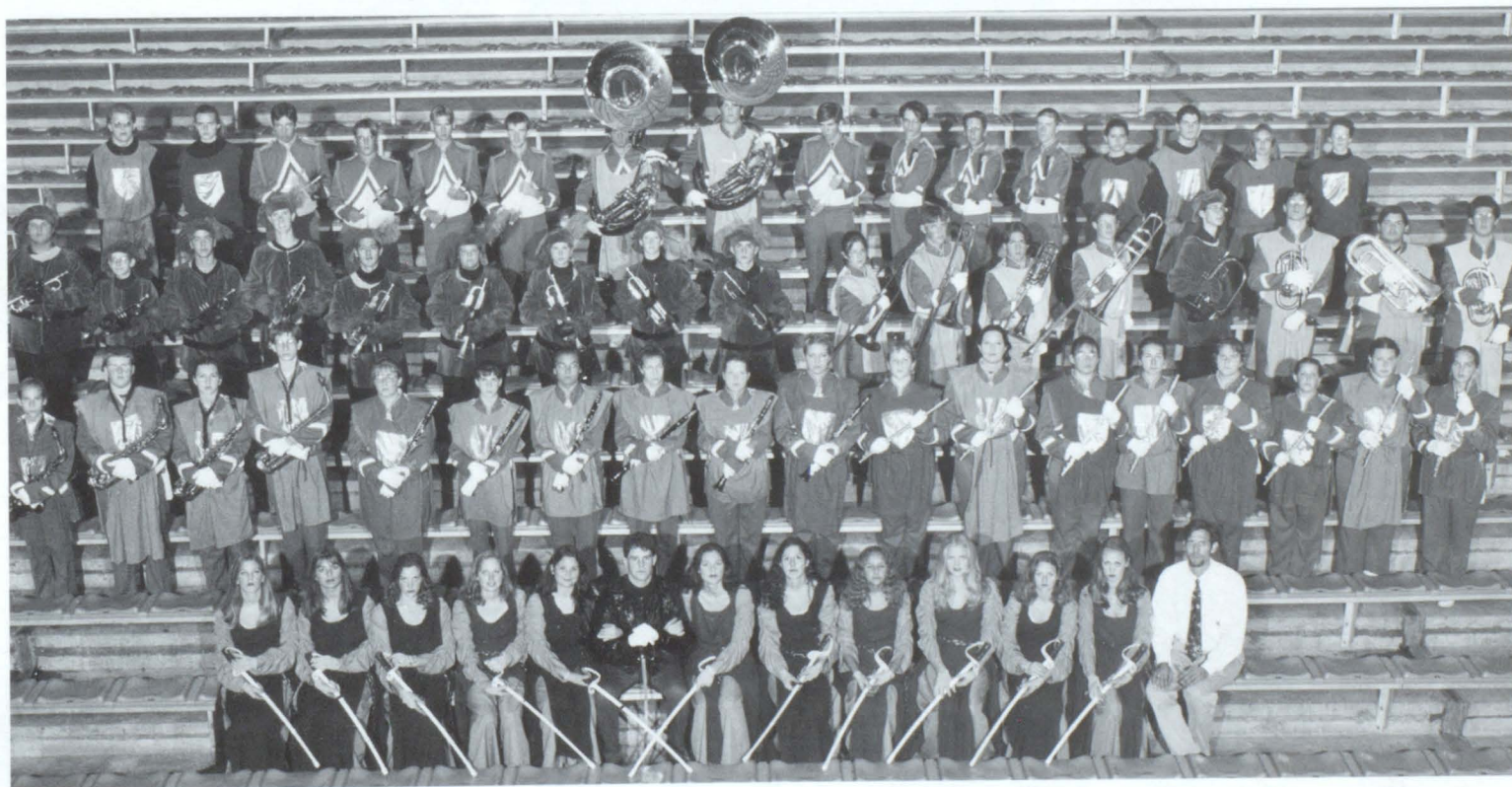
THE COLORGUARD... Front row: Heather Vogler, Kelly Savage, Kendra Mondello, Katy Weichel, Melanie Zamborowski, Nicole Stone Second row: Melanie Wagner, Stephanie Goral, Elaine Holmes, Melissa Voakes, Sarah Fogg and guard instructor Stephanie Johnson



PERFORMING... in the Homecoming parade is one of the many traditions the band is a part of. Ian Conyers marches down the main road in Algonac playing the fight song for the parade.

TAKING A BREAK... from watching bands at the Silverdome Kendra Mondello, Stephanie Goral, and Katy Weichel stop to pose for a picture at the State Finals Competition.

GIVING TOTAL CONCENTRATION... Jake Bryson watches for a cue from the Drum Major, performing at the half time performance at the Homecoming game.



THE MARCHING BAND... Front row: Sarah Fogg, Heather Vogler, Nicole Stone, Melissa Voakes, Katy Weichel, Eric Shumaker, Kendra Mondello, Melanie Wagner, Melanie Zamborowski, Elaine Holmes, Kelly Savage, Stephanie Goral and Director Michael Yoskovich Second row: Syndi Grissom, Dave Rose, Melissa Smith, Jon Moroschan, Kelly Heron, Dana Smith, Annamay Willey, Stephanie Lapham, Jessica Zoss, Anna Liisa Blanck, Stephanie Fegley, Chrissy Levitt, Sherry Grissom, Erin Montgomery, Ruth Dunlap, Heather Hines Third row: Dan McManaway, Matt Moroschan, James Paad, Matt Blanck, Mike Jones, Jeni Carrette, Jennifer Papiez, Lori Smith, James Kandler, Nicole Melton, James Mertz, Doug Blanton, Jeff Arwady, Ben Moroschan, Steve Vogler, James Fernandez, Tom Dunlap Fourth row: Jacob Bryson, Mandy Stier, Jamie Wylie, Ian Conyers, Jeff Sykes, Dan Rose, Graham Puranen, Jon Jackel, Rob Lane, Matt Shelley, Alek Shiloff, Ryan Gougen, Hope Dunlap, Fran Sampier, Amy Letouneau, Valerie Fern

Changing the focus...

Some things are just a little bit different. Competitive marching band is not the only focus of the band. The end of that season brings out the beginning of Symphonic band, Jazz band, Woodwind and Brass ensemble, then of course Festival.

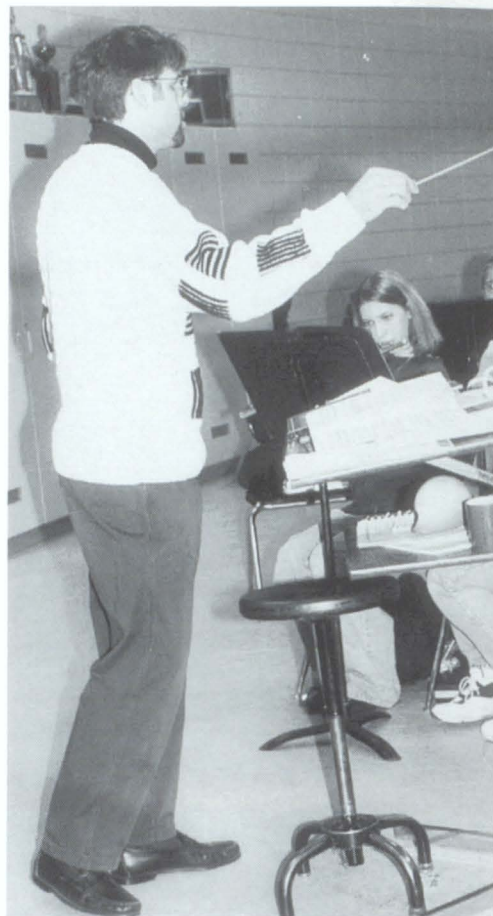
Everything is just a little bit different, from the music played to the hectic schedules to just having fun. It's not all work and no play, for an example would be band camp.

At band camp the band is on the field eight to nine hours a day or they are in the hall practicing music, but there is always time for something different. At band camp there are planned activities, the dance, and of course the rookie

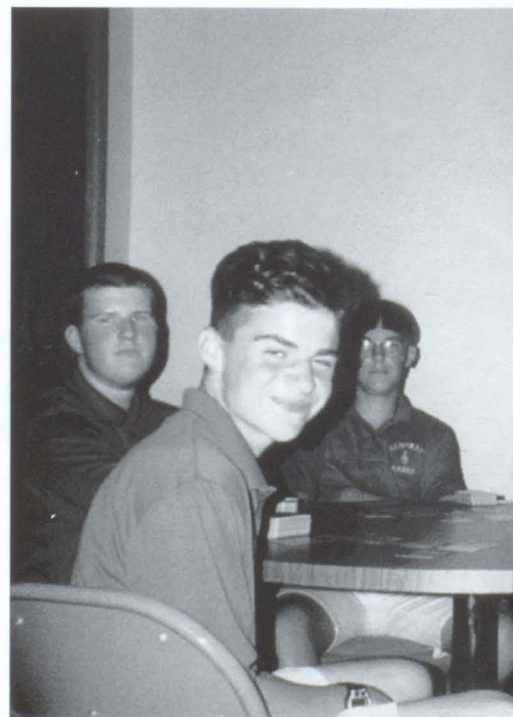
initiation. Every year the Symphonic band goes to Festival. There the band competes for a rating of 1,2,3 on their music and their sight reading.

There are a lot of things the band does including half time at home football games, parades, Band-a-rama and of course their spring concerts. Everything the band participates in, the memories are endless. There was talk in the beginning of the year about erasing the competitive Marching band but no final announcement was announced. No matter what the outcome is the memories already made will still be here. "It was the best of times, it was the worst of times," said Director Michael Yoskovich.

DIRECTING THE BAND... Michael Yoskovich gets into the music as he conducts the Symphonic band in second hour.



GOING A LITTLE CRAZY... Jennifer Papiez is shown here performing for skit night. Singing a song by Madonna, she gets into the music. Singing lead she has a few friends as back up. Skit night is one of the main events at band camp every year with everyone getting involved.



TAKING A BREAK... James Kandler, Jeff Arwady, James Mertz, and Dave Rose take a little time before the final performance at band camp.

TAKING A LITTLE TIME...Ryan Gougeon takes time out of his class to put a snare drum back together.



MORE THAN MUSIC...Eric Shumaker spends a little extra time on his study of music. A talented musician he spends a lot of his freetime practicing for Eastshore, and Solo and Ensemble.



to play Magic a popular new card game. The end of a hard weeks work is shown through the final performance.



INTENSE CONCENTRATION...during second hour band class keeps the trumpet section focused on director Michael Yoskovich for special cues and crescendoes.

Singing with spirit

Practice makes perfect is often thought of during chorus classes. From competitions to performing concerts, the singers usually face a lot of stress. One of the major highlights for members is being able to show their abilities during competitions.

Teamwork is the key goal. "Strong, demanding, and fun describe my experiences in this class," said Tina Rohn. The Special Delivery and Rainbow Connection also do many fundraisers which include: candy sales, fruit sales, and coupon book sales.

It not only takes days, but months of hard training and preparation. "A big memory that I have is our trip to Tennessee," said Georgi Wenckovsky. Mr. Dennis McMaken participates in taking his groups to many different places, in order to compete. A very exciting trip they will take is to Cincinnati, Ohio.

Many singers get the jitters before singing. "One helpful hint is drinking lemon juice before a concert," said Jesse Houf. Not only do they have to practice the singing part, but also the choreography. Parents, students, elementary students, family, and friends enjoy listening to the choirs.

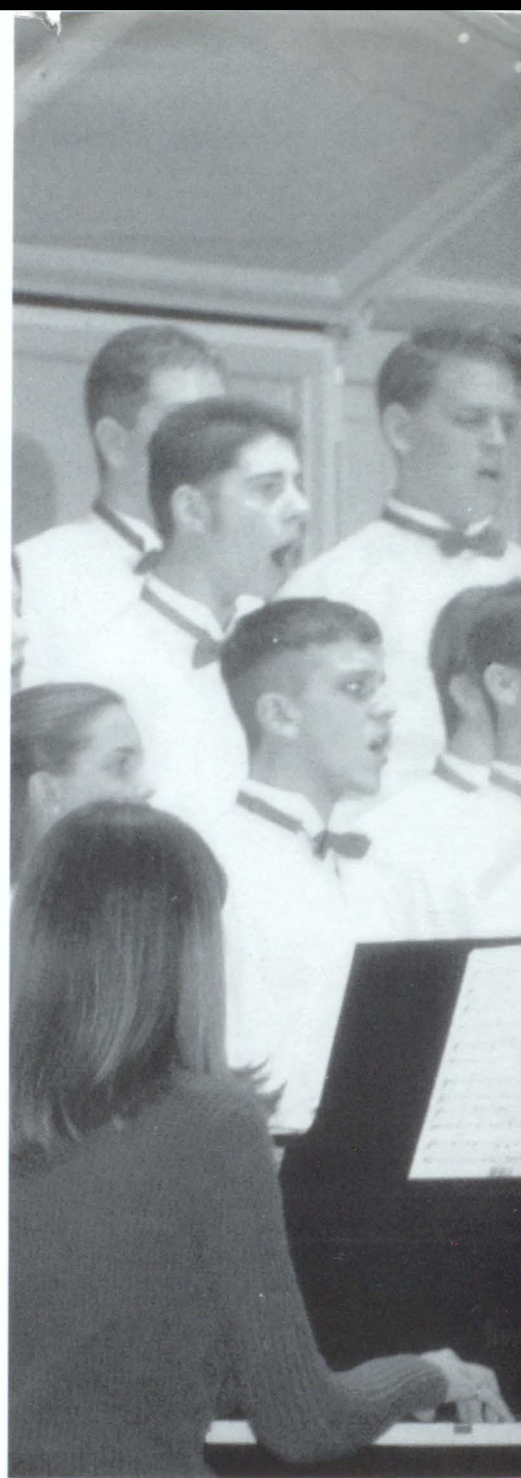
During January, Mr. Dennis McMaken performed at the National Honor Society induction. Traveling to Battle Creek, in the spring, they will prepare and compete for the spring concert, which will be in Gattlenburg, Tennessee, there are two categories: show choir and mixed chorus.

Mr. McMaken also offers a solo concert, and students may try out to sing in the Spring Concert. "My favorite part of chorus is the spring concert, because we sing all different kinds of music and have fun while doing it," said Tonya Hickey.



BRINGING A SPECIAL DELIVERY... Parading through downtown Algonac, during the homecoming parade.

SPECIAL DELIVERY Front Row: Sarah Keller, Susan Peterson, Kelly Bowles, Sheri Peterson, Gaby Giura, Brandy Emerich, Jaime Curtis, Melissa Scarbrough, Cristin Meadows, Georgi Wenckovsky. **Middle Row:** Niki Klein, Amanda Sharow, Jenny Darrah, Jessica Wonsowicz, Jessie Stephenson, Vicki Hill, Sheri Altman, Jenelle Rochon, Donna Gillespie, Jackie Hoover. **Back Row:** Mr. Dennis McMaken, Heather Castle, Shannon Pearson, Angie Murray, Meggen Morrow, Cristen Wrobel, Lorrie Roush, Sarah Drake, Tina Rohn, Sarah Claerhout.



CHRISTMAS CAROLING ... Full of holiday joy and spirit, while performing at the Middle School, the singers performed one of their first concerts.

HONORING FELLOW CLASS MATES... Singers performed at the January National Honor Society induction, held in the AHS Lecture Hall.



PRACTICING HARD FOR PERFECTION... Anna Stewart plays the piano, while the choirs practice their melodies.



RAINBOW CONNECTION: Front Row: Erica Davey, Gloria Clarke, Rachel Vinson, Melissa Veryser, Ericka Worthen, Tajihia Gillette, Jennifer Peterson. **Second Row:** Lissette Waldeck, Phil Clark, Nichole Houf, Jessica Stringer, Lisa Lane, Michelle Drabant, Liz Dearie, Kate Dearie. **Third row:** Mike Zamesnik, Erin Weatherdon, Shana Cadena, Jason Glowski, Emily Downey, Melissa Pauwels, Jennifer Sutton, Mr. Dennis McMaken. **Back Row:** Anna Stewart, William Harrington, Adam Drake, Randy Hill, Jeramie Arpan, Aaron Fritz, Pat Thomas, Jessica Beauvais.

S.A.D.D. Zip, Zero, Zilch

Informing the students on the dangers of drinking and driving is one of the many jobs of S.A.D.D.

The S.A.D.D. group has changed their policy this year to zip, zero ,zilch, basically saying do not drink at all.

Each year the S.A.D.D. group tries to do a little something different during S.A.D.D. week. White out day, one of the many traditions of S.A.D.D. week, had full participation from many of the students and staff. White out day simulates the death of someone from a traffic accident involving alcohol. This year other than white out day the group handed out doughnuts before school. There is also the chain of life. The chain of life is a paper chain and each link is signed by each student. If you drink

and drive then you break the chain.

"We hope we get the message across to people about how serious Drinking and Driving is." said Tonya Hickey.

Some of the S.A.D.D. members have been active participants for all four years of high school. Attending the weekly meetings, and participating in S.A.D.D. week.

The group gets involved in as much as they can. From the homecoming parade to S.A.D.D. awareness week. This years adviser is Mrs. Kathleen Mellon, She has been the S.A.D.D. adviser for the last two years.

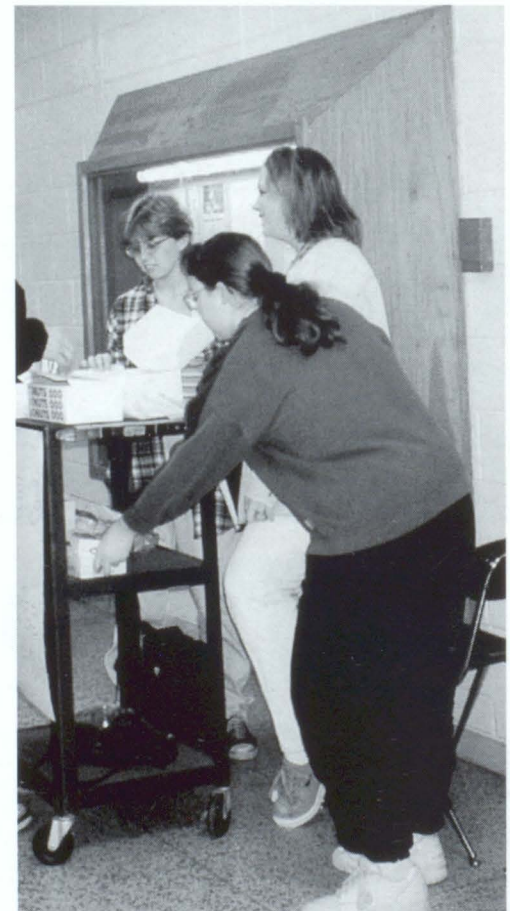
The S.A.D.D. group hope that the message gets across to everyone, Think before you drink. Zip, Zero, Zilch.

THE HOMECOMING PARADE...The SADD group participates in the parade each year. Tony Folkerts represents a victim of a drunk driver.



THE S.A.D.D. group... Front Row: Tonya Hickey, Miranda Wesch, Tina Rohn Second Row: Shannon Pearson, Tim Miller

Third Row: Amanda Sharrow, Tony Folkerts, Angela Murray, Mrs. Kathleen Mellon, Lourrie Roush



SADD WEEK... During SADD week Jessica Chapman, Angie Murray, and Shannon Pearson handed out free doughnuts before school.

WHITE OUT DAY...Jeremy Woolcock participates during SADD week by painting his face white. He was one of the many victims during SADD week.



TAKING A BREAK... Shannon Pearson helping out with the S.A.D.D. project of handing out doughnuts takes a break to enjoy breakfast.

HELPING OUT... Amanda Sharrow hands out candy while she representing S.A.D.D. at the annual homecoming parade.



A LITTLE PARTICIPATION...Tammy Smith and Shannon Pearson walk with the crashed car showing what happens when you drive drunk.

Largest group ever inducted into NHS

Leadership, character, scholarship and service, are the four qualities represented by the members of National Honor Society. This year the Algonac chapter of the National Honor Society elected 44 new members, a record since the chapter began in 1940. "It was wonderful to have so many new members for NHS. I hope this inspires many other students to aim for membership in the future." said Advisor Kathleen Nist.

Every year the National Honor Society members help with the Red Cross blood drive, which was held in the fall and spring and help out every year with the River District Hospital Health O'Rama. They also provide tutoring for students who need the help. The induction ceremony that was held on Thursday, January 16, 1997 is to formally recognize new members in front of family and friends. "It looks good for college and I have all the requirements so I figured 'why not?'" said Courtney Pioszak.

During the ceremony, each of the officers spoke on one of the qualities. Vice President Willis Hotchkiss spoke on leadership, Shannon Wilson spoke on character, Treasurer Adam King spoke on scholarship and President Phil Clark spoke on service.

Phil Clark then led the second year members in the candle lighting. After a call to candidates and the National Honor Pledge, the new members were presented with membership certificates by Advisor Kathleen Nist.

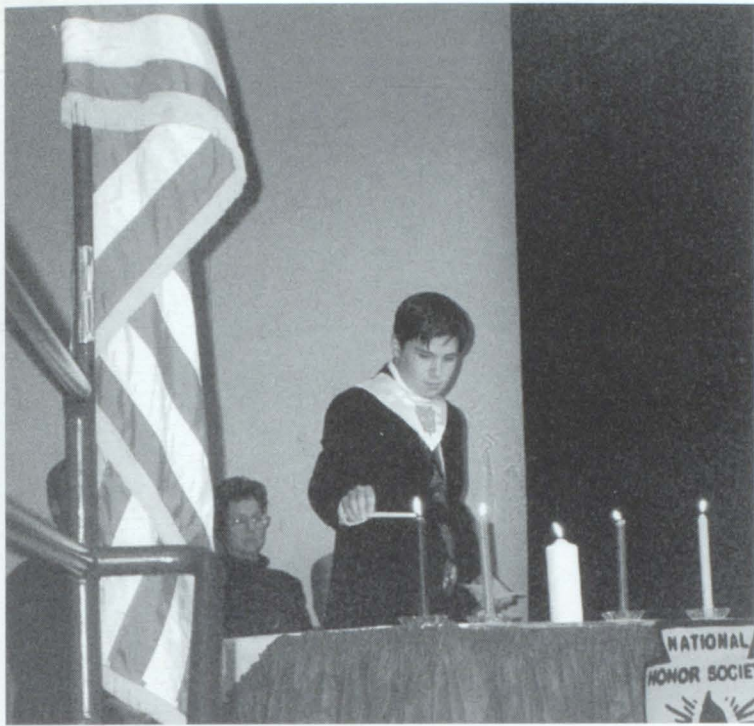
Principal, Mr. Thomas Baldwin then concluded the event with words of congratulations, and desserts were served in the library. "Being apart of NHS makes me feel important, smart and acknowledged." said Jennifer Peterson.

CANDLE LIGHTING... Second year member Joe Funke passes his candle to new member, Fran Sampier during the candle-lighting ceremony.

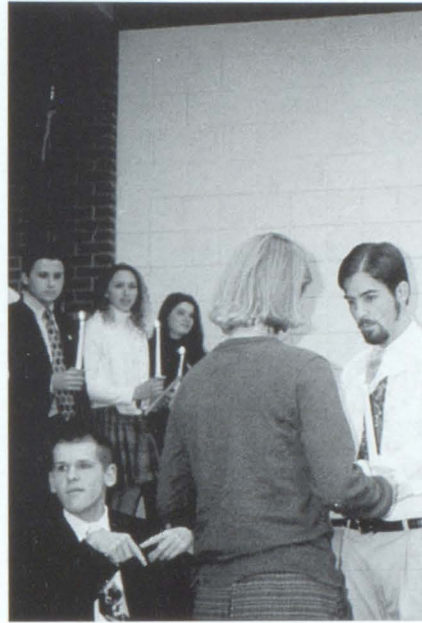


National Honor Society: First row; Aleksandr Shiloff, Adam King, Willis Hotchkiss, Renee Woolcock, Philip Clark, Jennifer Peterson, Shannon Wilson, Corey Sutton, Sun Oak Kim, Lorrie Roush, Lisarae Prayter, Amy Briskey, Randolph Hill, Carey Larabee, Second row; Lisa Lane, Kathryn Basehore, Kimberly Steward, Elizabeth Dearie, Derek Chwan, Dominic Ticconi, Amanda Hardy, Jason Meldrum, Gloria Clarke, Nichole Houf, Angela Wagner, Katie May, Kimberly Parsons, Julie Walters, Amy Howard, Erica Worthen, Third row; Melissa Smith, Joseph Funke, Adam Lozen, Brienne Budzinski, Stephanie Stay, Shana Cadena, Courtney Pioszak, Kelly Langdon, Melissa Pauwels, Lauren Petre, Megan Taylor, Rebecca Gates, Fourth row; Margeaux Peters, Heather Hines, Ben Clark, Donald Maes, Amy Palmer, Back row; Katherine Dearie, Jennifer Papiez, Amy Focht, Lori Smith, Mike Wright, Gary Altman, Tonya Hickey, Francis Sampier, Theresa Stahl, Nicole Cameron

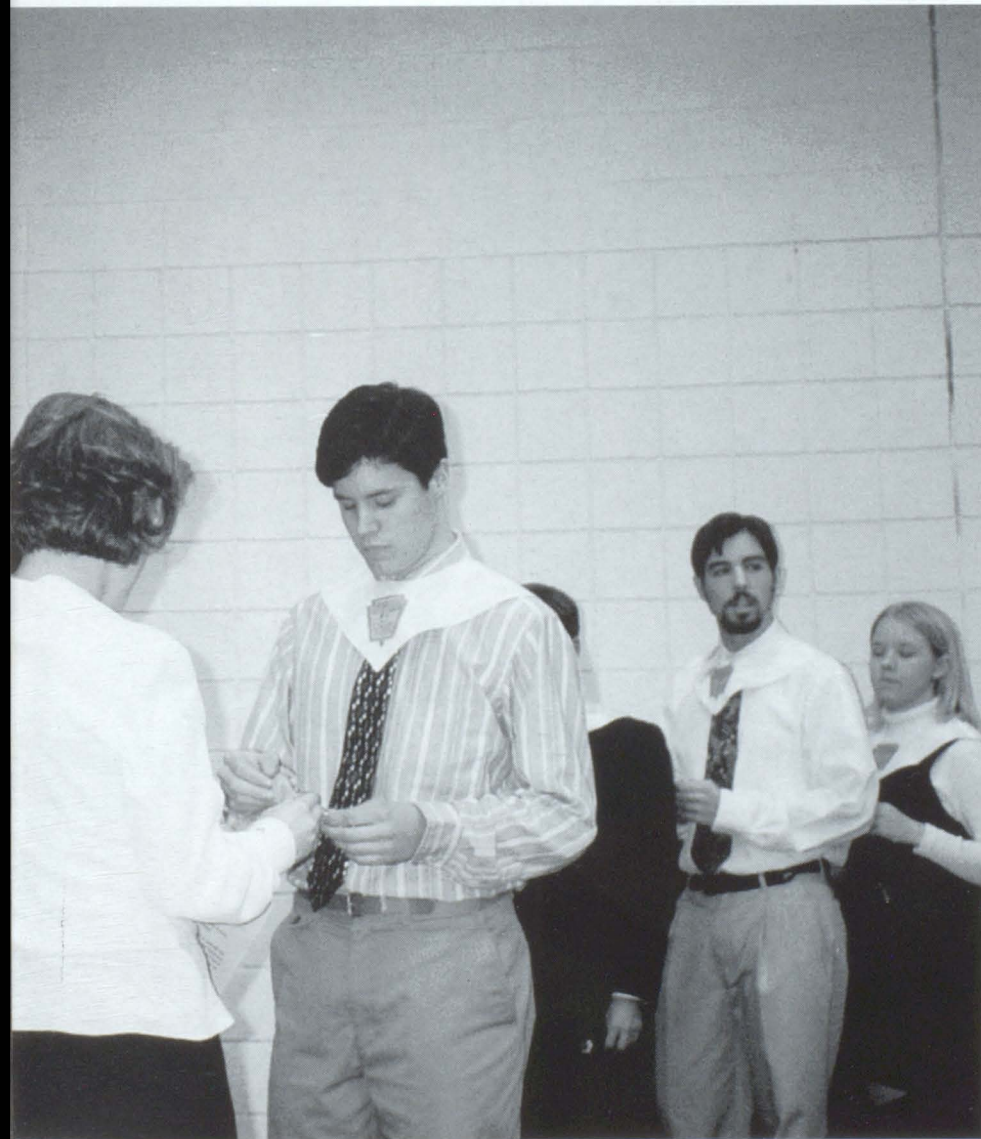




FEATURED SPEAKERS... President Phil Clark, during the Induction Ceremony, lights the final candle after speaking to new members on service.



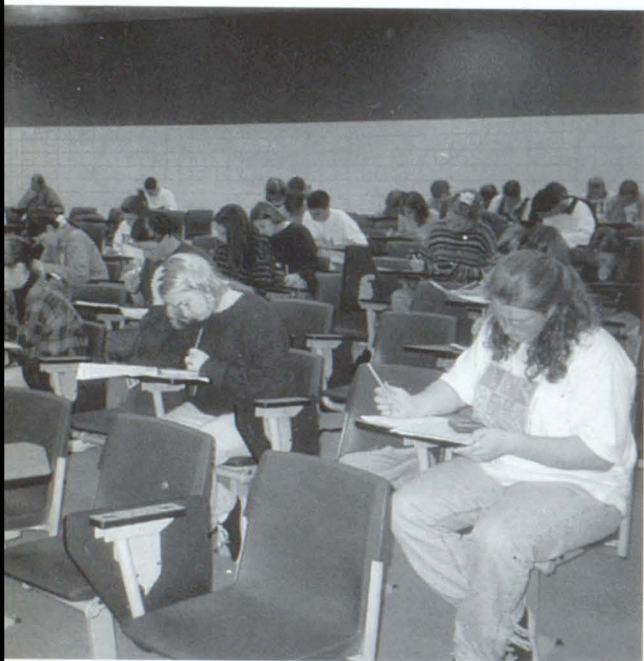
INSPIRATIONAL WORDS... "Those students who would like to join NHS should keep up their grades and have lots of leadership skills." said Renee Woolcock



CHARACTER... At the Induction ceremony, Secretary Shannon Wilson speaks to new members about character.

PINNING NEW MEMBERS... Vice President Willis Hotchkiss gives the National Honor Society pin to a new member.

TESTING PRESSURE ... As college approaches, all juniors had the opportunity to take the PSAT in October. Beth Pfeiffer, Brandy Carithers and Valerie Monet worked diligently to complete the test.



GETTING INVOLVED... Float meetings are a time to show class spirit. Members of the class of 2000 worked together to build the second place float. Danielle Eder, Krystal Brisse, Amy Hutchins, Shane Trempler, Scott Stay, Heather Durkee, Jocelyn Specner, Jennifer Green, Sarah Prudhomme, Mike Caiger, Joe Treppa, and Kristin Schrader worked at Dennis Wright's house.



Muskrats: BIG in a lot of little ways . . .

People Division

Big shots
What a year...
Seniors...
College Composition
Powder puff jerseys
Senior All Night Party
fund raisers

Juniors...
HSPT nightmare
Driving to school
Prom preparation

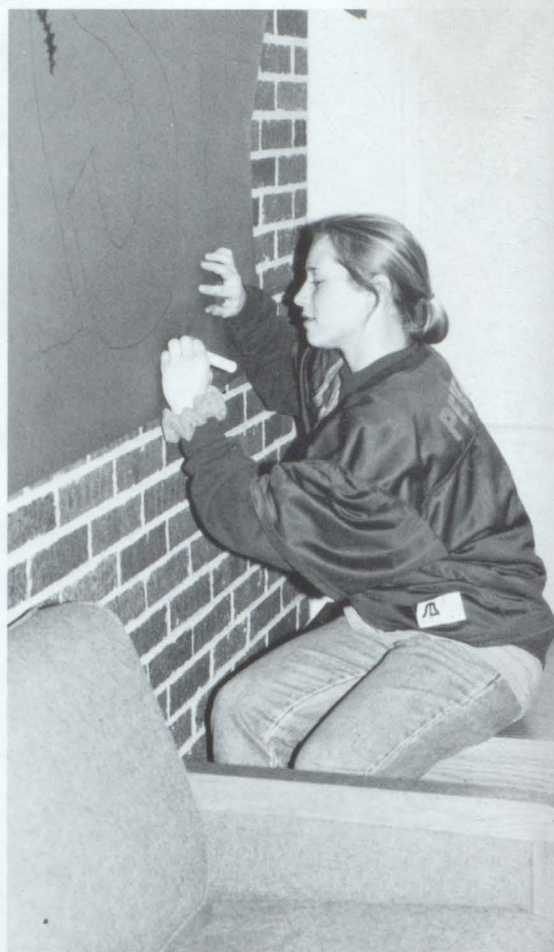
Sophomores...
Driver's Ed
Pep assemblies
School involvement

Freshmen...
First day jitters
Spirit Week
Attendance policy



DEADLINES, DEADLINES, DEADLINES... Sports editor Keith Ravis and editor in chief Erica Davey meet to discuss stories and the pressure involved in putting together another award winning newspaper.

LET'S DO LUNCH... Like most of the students, lunch time gives Brooke Langdon and Ashley Langdon a break to eat and socialize with friends.



We have SENIORITY

This is not only the fourth year of attending AHS for the senior class of '97, but also the last one. Starting off at the freshmen level and ascending to the senior level has been much of a challenge for students.

Not only being the people that underclassmen look up to, but the class has also been role models to others. According to James Rappaport, "Mr. Simms taught me a lot here at AHS, he was a very large influence in my education." Seniors have the ability to be teacher's aids, take college bound classes, and hold editorial positions in publications.

Realizing that this is the last year in high school, many students made the best of it. The class of '97 has made it more than memorable. They have left scars of their memories on athletic records, journalism awards, grades, and even involvement. "All the activities were the best; homecoming, dances, pep assemblies, and sports events," said Jenny Forshee.

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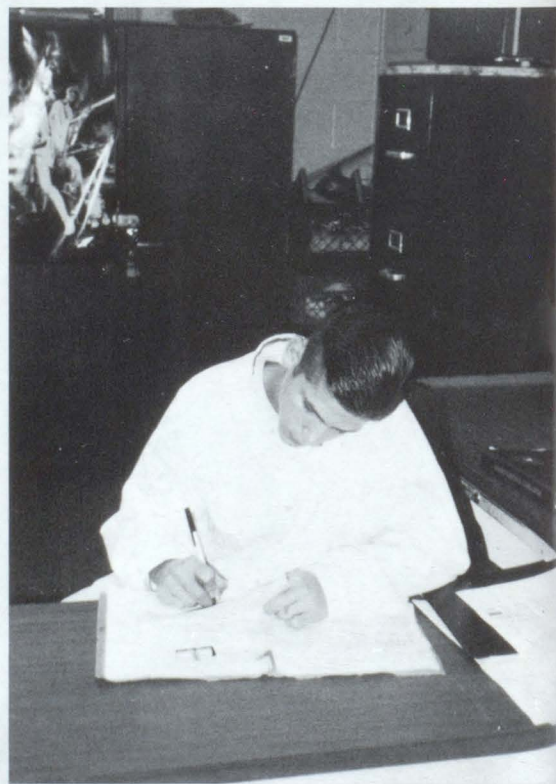
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TEAR DROPS FALLING... Stephanie Stay and Jackie Trupp realize that this is the final moment until they become big, bad SENIORS.

SHOW YOUR SENIORITY... Jennifer Peterson signs the student council banner decorated for the Christmas season.



DO NOT DISTURB... Studying at the last minute, Dominic Ticconi finishes his homework in the publications office.



DON'T MESS WITH ME... Taking a break from the hectic work during school, Lynn Mackie takes a minute to catch her breath.

HANGING IN THE TREE... Danielle Falciewicz, Ericka Hildreth, and Jeff Sperry, enjoy their day visiting Michigan State University for journalism.

CUT, PASTE, AND CREATE... First graders at Pte. Tremble Elementary look up to their teachers aid Nicole Rose.



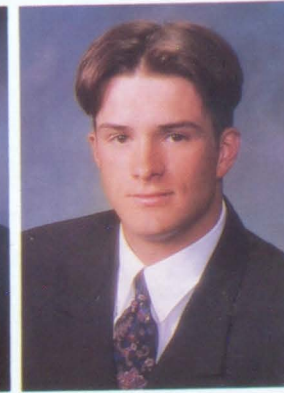
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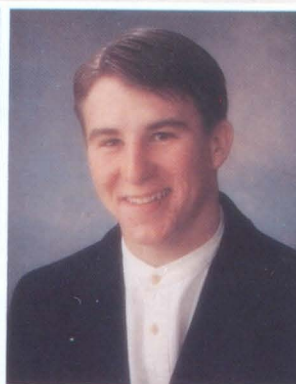


Matthew R. Bommarito
Gabriel S. Bosman



Vanessa Bridenbaugh
Amy L. Briskey

**Robert Bruce
Brienne
Budzinski
Ron Burns
Matt Cameron**



WHAT IS YOUR MOST MEMORABLE MOMENT?



"My most memorable moment is probably having the Rat Review come back each issue and knowing my staff has done so well." Erica Davey

"Our very last hockey game against Flint Powers is very memorable to me," Dan Rose.



"My most memorable moment is making the play that Mr. Shafer wrote *The Long Road Home*," Dale Smith.



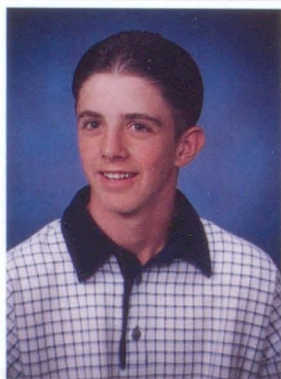
A WEEK TO REMEMBER...Brie Budzinski, Beth Cortis, and Shannon Wilson hang out in Beth's room at Michigan State University. They stayed there for a week for a journalism camp.

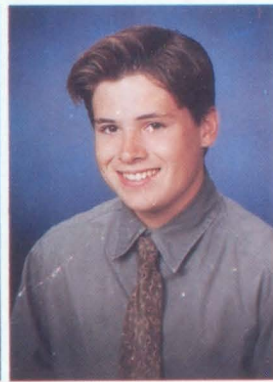
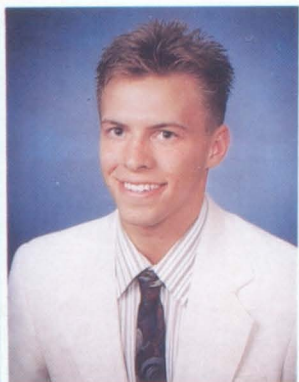
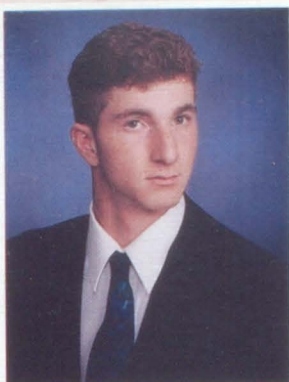
SHOWING SCHOOL SPIRIT...Phil Clark wears a Marti Gras mask for his classes Homecoming theme New Orleans.



AWARD WINNING SHOW... Kendra Mondello leads the Color Guard in the presentation of *Romeo and Juliet* during the half time at Homecoming.

**Shaun Campbell
Don E. Capadagli
Jeni L. Carrette
Gus Castle**





**Charles Childs
Derek Chwan
Andrea S. Claeys
Philip J. Clark**



Something to remember

Surviving four years of high school and being freshmen seemed unbearable at times. Although, now that we've finally made it through, we have been left with some of the fondest memories we will ever have. Jeff Watson said, "My best high school memory is when we won our first football game against St. Clair 12-6."

Friendships may fade over the years but most memories of people will stay fresh in our minds. Keith Ravis said, "Dominic Ticconi and I snuck out of our house at one in the morning when we were fifteen and our parents had the cops looking for us while we were hiding in ditches. We came home at four in the morning and our parents killed us." For some it will be the hardest thing to let go of high school and move on and for others its going to be very exciting. Tonya Hickey said, "Graduation is the tuning point of life."

Adam Drake said, "My most memorable moment from high school was going to Myrtle Beach to compete in Show Choir for Rainbow."

HANGING WITH THE BOYS...Fred Makinen, Dominic Ticconi, Brandon Rank, Joe Funke, and Jason Schilling will never forget the night of the euchre dance.

A LASTING IMPRESSION...Many students went with Ms. Anita Shagena to hear President Bill Clinton speak at the Fox Theater.

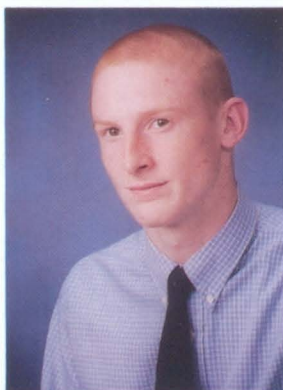


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Elizabeth A.
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Amber M.
Couture**

Erica Davey



**Jason J. DeSot
Warren D. Doss**



**Emily V.
Downey
Adam L. Drake**



**Tammy A.
Dumond
Ruth C. Dunlap**



**William R.
Engelhardt
Danielle M.
Falkiewicz**



RAT REVIEW...editor Erica Davey is handed a finished article while rushing to prepare everything for the deadline.

TAKING NOTES...on a video for government class Adam Nixon, Lauren Petre, Brandon Rank, Dale Smith, and Vicki Schenk pickout all the details that they will need to know for the test following the video.

Strangled by stress

Being a senior does not mean you are sitting pretty at the head of the school. This last year involves many challenges to put the finishing touches on a high school career.

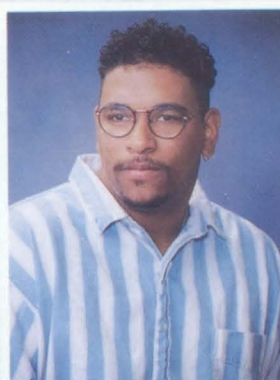
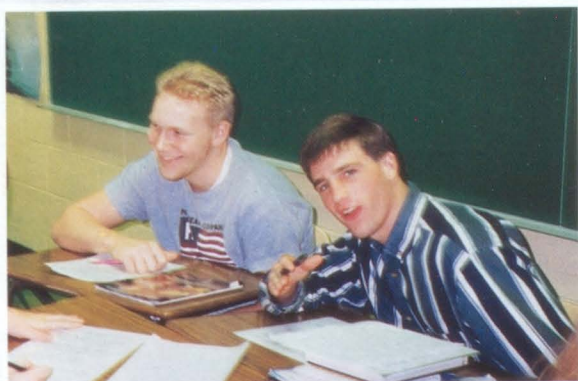
For those heading off to college, the first step is deciding where. The second step is getting in and then keeping the gpa up to maintain that admission step.

One option is the early admit program to SC4 which enables students to begin college classes during the second semester of senior year. One popular option was the Political Science class offered in the evening.

Taking tough classes is another stress builder. College Comp., Chemistry, Psychology, Sociology, and Senior Math could make anyone's schedule hectic. "College Composition is a good class for anyone to take, but it just takes too much time out of my schedule with the writing assignments we receive," says Kelly Hutchins.

HAVING...a group discussion for a writing assignment in College Comp., Chad Wesch and Gordy McCarty are quite amused with the paper they're reading.

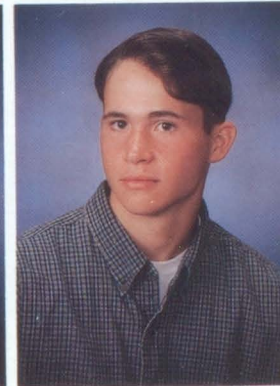
DRESSED IN BLACK...for extra credit Jennifer Peterson, Adam King and Alek Shiloff take the first of many Black Thursday tests in College Comp.



Johnna E. Fett
Anthony D.
Folkerts



Jennifer C.
Forshee
Marc Fournier



Josh Frantz
Joseph P.
Funke



Tina L. Garrido
Tajhia L.
Gillette



Jason Glowski
Michael E. Hale

**Kevin Hall
Wes Harrington
Brandi
Henneman
Kelly Heron**



Senior spirit...



"School spirit is important, it shows how you get involved." Lisa Prayer

"It gives you a happy face." Katy Weichel

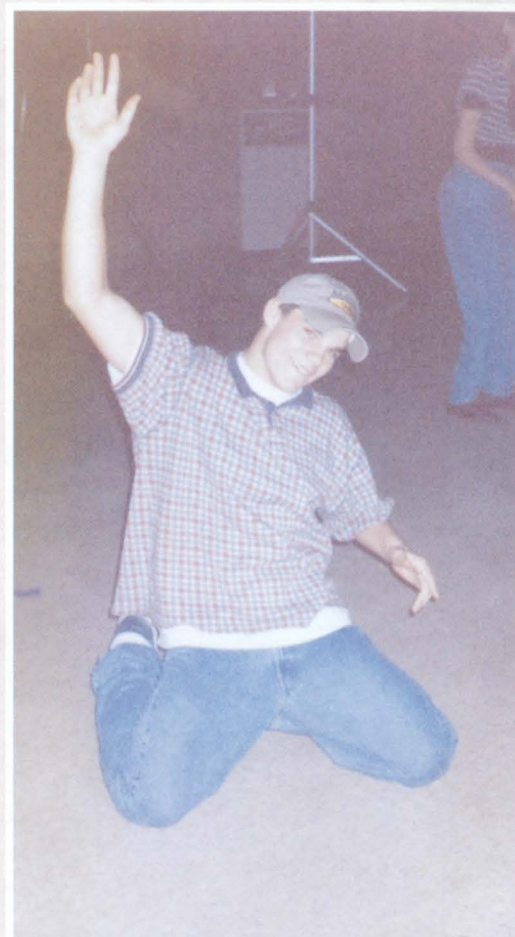


"It's fun and everyone should have it." Renee Bauer



OBSTACLE COURSE... This particular obstacle course proved to be extra challenging. Shaun Campbell raced to the finish line.

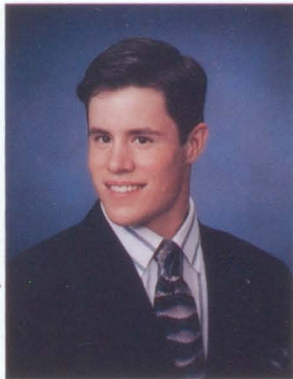
BETWEEN ASSIGNMENTS... Part of what makes the class of '97 close is just time for having fun for Sara Hollen and Derek Chwan.



GETTING DOWN... Mike Wilhelm shows his stuff during the Euchre dance. This dance held in December was one last chance for seniors to just have fun.

**Tonya L.
Hickey
Ericka A.
Hildreth
Randolph W. J.
Hill
Sara Hollen**





**Heather L.
Horvath
Willis Hotchkiss
Nichole M. Houf
Kelly F. Hutchins**



Building up the spirit

Spirit for the class of '97 has built quickly. With strong competition from the juniors, the seniors have become school leaders both in activities and in class spirit. This is partly due to the active involvement of class members. Seniors participate in every event.

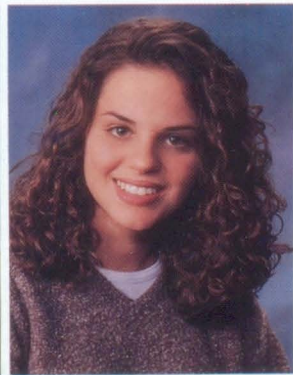
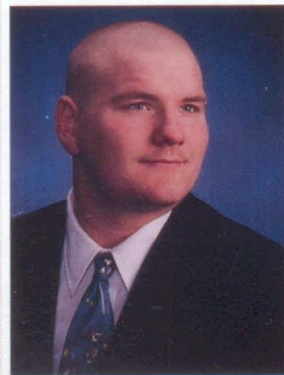
This leadership began as school opened and hit a high point during spirit week. The strong challenges for spirit string, powder puff and then all the homecoming events led to the seniors learning how to make every point count. Seniors do not miss a chance to be a part of everything in the school. Jason Glowski said: "There isn't much difference between juniors and seniors. We have always been really close."

It has always been a myth that seniors cheat. However that is not true. Seniors get their taste of a fair fight. They win some and lose some, but they always have their way to make a come back. It obviously works because seniors always manage to be on top.



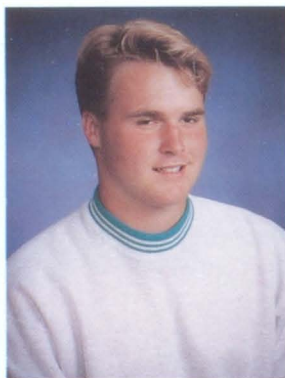
EUCHRE... Seniors take a break from dancing at the Euchre dance to pose for a picture before they dance the night away. Cory Sutton, Jeff Watson, Jason Schilling, Joe Funke, Carrie Bechill, Adam King, Mike Wilhelm, Kim Parsons, Gordy McCardy, Shaun Campbell, Jenny Forshee, Leah Cooper, Gus Castle, Nicole Rose, and Phil Clark enjoy this annual event.

COMPETITION... Jennifer Peterson, Renee Woolcock, and Brandi Henneman compete against the juniors during the half time at Powder Puff.

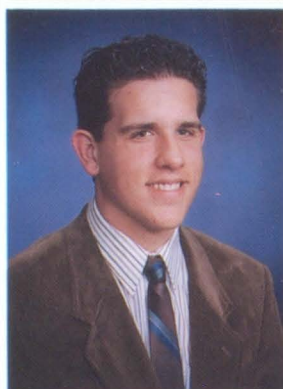


**Eric Jarvi
Jennifer Johnson
Melissa J. Kazor
Sun Oak Kim**

Adam H. King
Keith Kodet



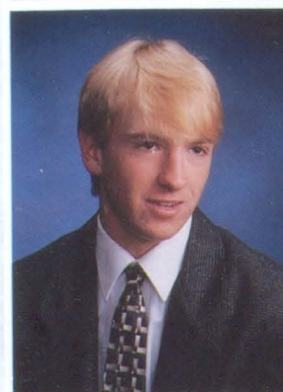
Jason Kotarski
Amelia Z. Kreilter



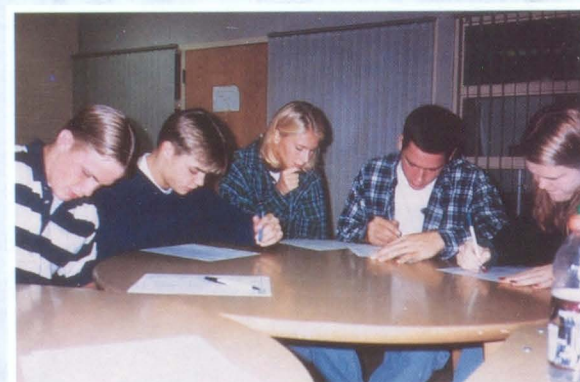
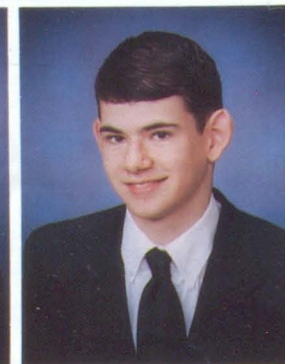
Jennifer Kunz
Lisa L. Lane



Adam Lozen
Lynn M. Mackie



Christina A. Mahac
Steve Martin



CAREERS... While Johnna Fett chooses to go to Ferris University, she still is on a search for a career. Fashion design is #1 on her list right now.

G.P.A.???... Brandon Rank, Adam Nixon, Stephanie Stay, Keith Ravis, and Leah Cooper think about attending Eastern. Filling out the personal information form is the first step of beginning the application process.

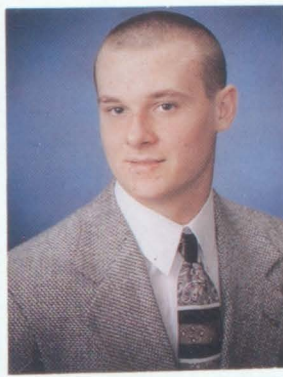
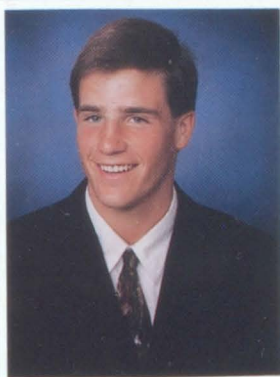
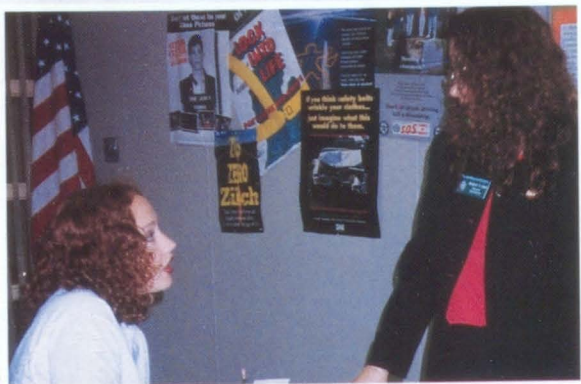
College Creeps

Unfortunately seniors have that awful choice of what college to attend and should they even attend one period. The reasons for choosing colleges vary from person to person. Paul Mastej said, "I want to go to college at Michigan State because of their vet school." There are students who begin planning for college their sophomore and junior years.

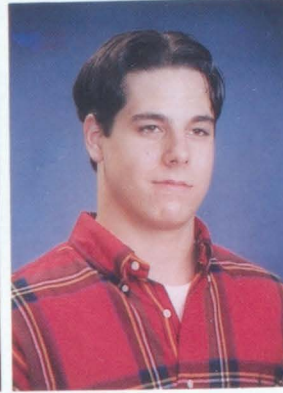
And then...there are the rest of us. The ones who are piling in as many college brochures and college visits as possible before they graduate and have no clue on what to do. This year the counseling center has helped out a tad by scheduling colleges across the state to take a hour and talk to students about their school and campus. College representatives set up materials an students have a chance to have a round table discussion on that college's options. "The college representative broke down my decision by informing me on costs, dorms, and classes," said Nicole Rose.

QUESTIONS... Lauren Petre asks a representative about Eastern's educational classes.

EVERDAY... Counselors help out students with college options as well as personal problems. Mrs. Paula Johnson and Mrs. Lori Katlein talk to students about important college choices.



**Gordon C.
McCardy
Brian Meldrum Jr.**



**Monica M. Meldrum
Joe Mellen**



**Christopher S.
Merrill
Kendra L.
Mondello**

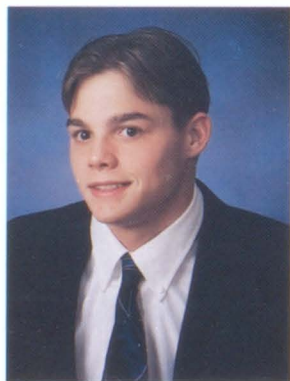


**Jonathan E.
Moroschan
John G. Morris**



**Angela M. Murray
Dominique Oster**

Adam D. Nixon
Amy D. Palmer
Kim Parsons
Nicholas Percy



What was the best part about the Homcoming activities?



"The powder puff football game, was the best, because we got to be violent with the juniors," said Amy Briskey.

"Having a victory over Clintondale was the best feeling, because we finally had a reason to celebrate homecoming," said Jeff Watson.



"I loved the dance, because I got to spend it with all of my friends, and it was a really fun time," said Kristen Phelan.



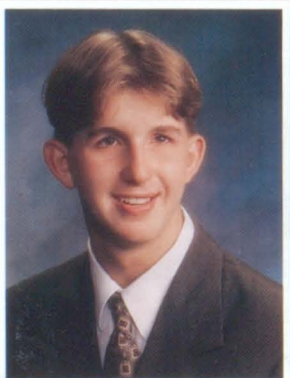
HERE COMES THE RIVER QUEEN...The senior Homecoming court members, practice their wave, while enjoying their last parade.

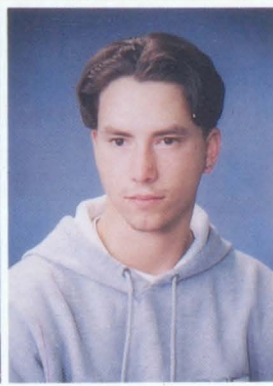
CELEBRATE MARDI GRAS...A masquerade party was how Jenny Forshee, Renee Bauer, and Leah Cooper celebrated their theme.



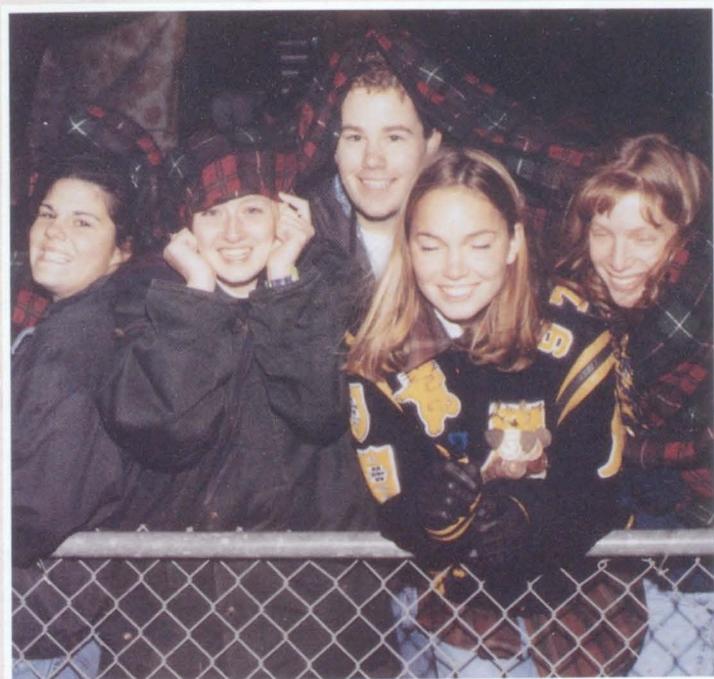
A WINNING FLOAT...Kelly Hutchins, Leah Cooper, Barb Wisswell, Carrie Bechill, Danny Watson, Jeff Watson, Renee Bauer, and Beth Cortis.

Richard W. Pearson
Shannon Pearson
Jennifer J. Peterson
Lauren E. Petre





Kristen R. Phelan
Jodi N. Porter
Lisa Prayter
Jason Racicot



Time, effort, and unforgettable

The class of 1997 celebrated their last Homecoming together. It was not only spending the last dance as one, but also twisting the last tie on the flowers, for the float. Not only did it take up everyone's time, but it filled many minds, with memories to be forgotten. The senior girls also worked hard in defeating the junior girls, during the powder puff football game.

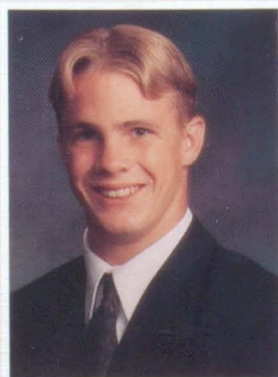
"Having fun with my friends just dancing and goofing around," said Amy Palmer, was one of the many thoughts. Many seniors faced the fact that it was the last time to participate in spirit week, floats, the dance, powder puff games, and all the other festivities. "Being a cheerleader, I had a lot of things to do, and I wouldn't have missed it for the world. It was my last year," said Nichole Houf.

Most of the seniors decided to be more involved with the outside activities that took place. Whether it was student council, sports, clubs, and other organizations. The spirit soared with maize and blue colors throughout the week. "Spirit week was cool for a lot of people. I liked it-but it's my first year in a public school," said Anna Stewart.



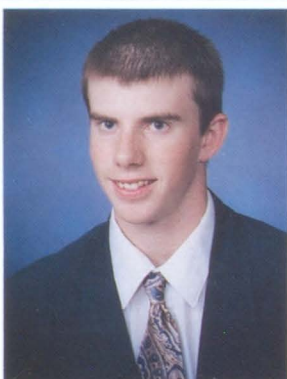
A LITTLE CHILLY... Brandi Hennaman, Lisa Prayter, Adam Drake, Lynn Mackie, and Amy Briskey, huddle with their blanket, at one of the last football games.

STOP DRINKING AND DRIVING... Lorrie Roush and Tonya Hickey show their S.A.D.D. sign to the viewers, during the Homecoming parade.



Brandon Rank
James A. Rappaport
Keith Ravis
Felipe Ribeiro

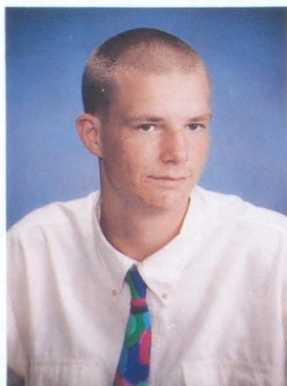
**Wendi Roberts
Daniel P. Rose**



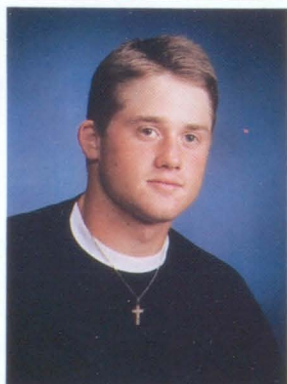
**Nicole M. Rose
Lorrie E. Roush**



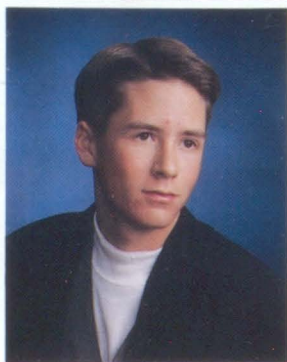
**Tibor Sabo
Clifton Sartain**



**Vicki S. Schenk
Jason F. Schilling**



**Shawn Schulte
Alek J. Shiloff**



A TIME TO REMEMBER... Melissa Voakes congratulates Kim Parsons on being elected Homecoming queen during half time of the Homecoming game.

PLAYING WITH ALL HER HEART... Jennifer Carette shows the crowd what she can do playing her trumpet.

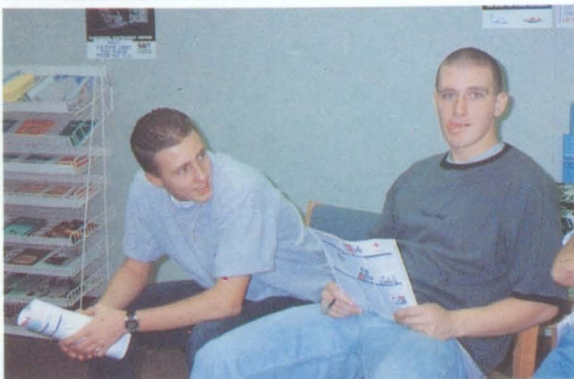
Stirring up some emotion

Along with graduating from high school comes many emotions. For some it may be hard to imagine leaving their friends, teachers, athletics or even their everyday routine. Some seniors even fear the future. Kendra Mondello said, "I'm worried to see where I'll go in the future." There are a lot of decisions to be made such as which college to attend, if you even attend college, and even what to get into.

Graduation brings out hidden feelings in many people. Gordy McCurdy said, "It's kind of sad. I don't want to graduate because I might never see some of my friends again." Although there seems to be many mixed emotions about graduation it is something that comes up in most high school students minds.

UNROLLING THE DOUGH...Kelly Hutchins and Stephanie Stay pick apart hundreds of rolls of pennies, nickles, dimes, and quarters at Algonac Savings Bank in uptown Algonac. The change came from the spirit string competition and went towards the yearbook.

SHOWING THEIR TRUE COLORS...Dave Kuecken and Jason DeSot wait anticipating a big needle during the November blood drive



Eric J. Shumaker
Barbara D. Smith



Dana B. Smith
Jeff Sperry



James Stafford
Stephanie L. Stay

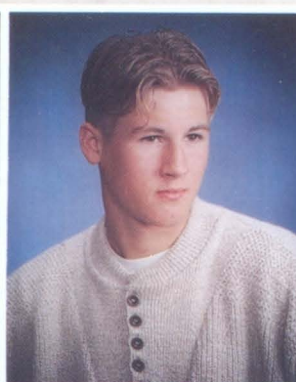
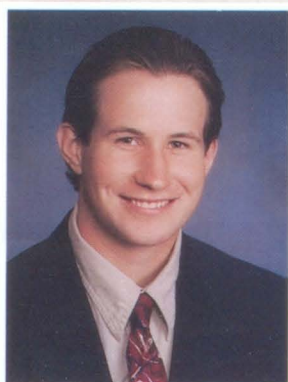


Tracey L. Stephenson
Anna M. Stewart



Mike J. Stier
Jessica D. Stringer

**Randy Stone
Cory Sutton
Jeff A. Sykes
Tera L. Tesch**



How do you feel about community service?



"Everyone should give blood, it makes a good feeling inside." Angie Murray

"Giving blood made me feel good because I know I'm helping someone who needs it." Jason DeSot

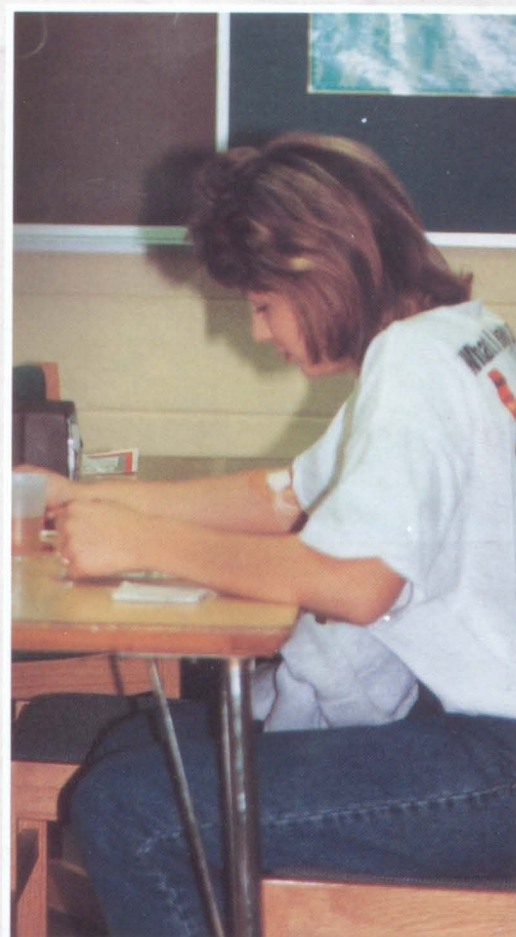


"Giving blood made me feel I was doing something right." Tracey Stephenson



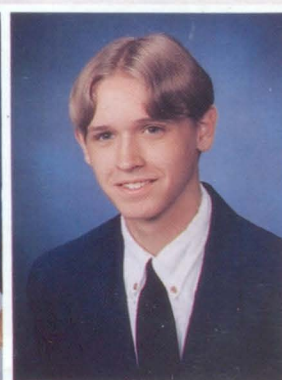
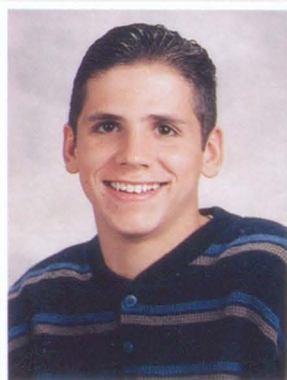
HAPPY HOLIDAYS FROM TV STUDIO... Angela Murray and Jennifer Peterson work to prepare a holiday video for Channel 6.

JUST A LITTLE STRESS... Nichole Houf waits patiently as her blood is slowly drawn.



AFTER... Recuperating from the blood drawing experience, Tera Tesch eats a snack after donating blood.

**Dominic R. Ticconi
Aaron Villwock
Melissa V. Voakes
Jason D. Wagner**





**Melanie L.
Wagner
Jeff Watson
Katy Weichel
Georgi
Wenckovsky**



Going the extra mile

One way that seniors get involved is through Community Service. Each year at the Awards Assembly, seniors are recognized for involvement in the community. In College Composition, students are encouraged to be involved as part of their community. Student Council members worked the Soup Kitchen on December 23. Other students became involved with the blood drive in November. Still others are involved in church activities or other community activities.

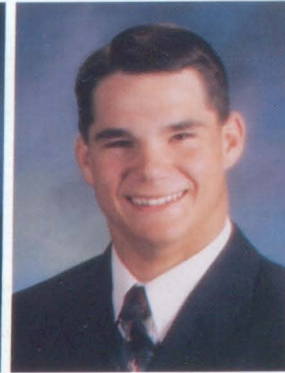
For some students, classroom activities demand community involvement. TV studio students participated in a re enactment at the State Park in September. TV studio students also video tape sporting events. Many students walk over to Pointe Tremble to TA with the younger students. Nicole Rose TA's with Ms. Ilene Kennedy said : "It's quite an experience. It is preparing me for college. We learn something new about students everyday."

GETTING CLOSER... to the political scene Johnna Fett and Ameila Kreilter listen to the President as he gives his speech in Detroit.

BLOOD DRIVE... Ruth Dunlap participated in the blood drive in November. This drive was sponsored by the NHS. For most students, this was the first experience with donating blood.



Ryan Barylski, John Basehore, Terry Cartwright, Aaron Curtis, John Lumpkin, Paul Mastej, Keith Wierszewski, Jarvis Woods, Jamie Wylie



**Joe Wendt
Chad Wesch
Miranda J. Wesch
Mike Wilhelm**

**Jennifer A.
Williams
Shannon J.
Wilson**



**Barbara A.
Wisswell
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Woolcock**



Todd Worley

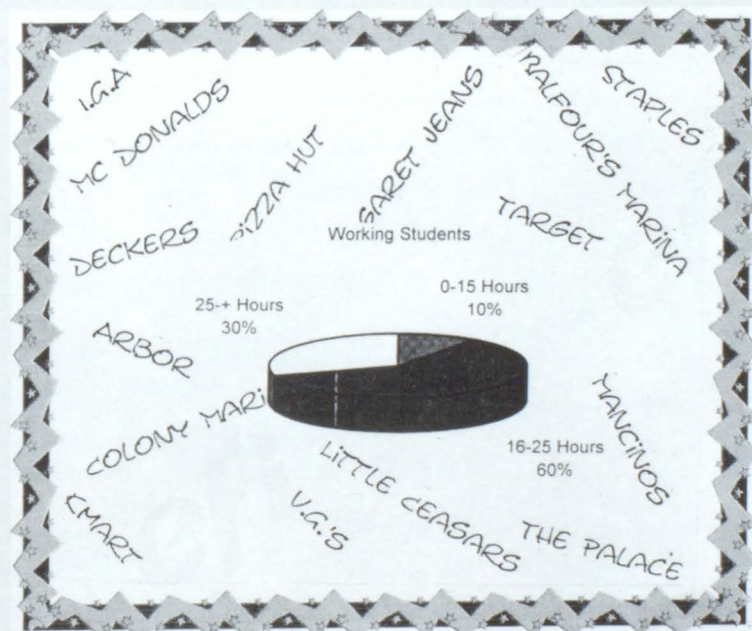


TAKING ORDERS... Miranda Wesch rings up her customers at Pizza Hut.

PIZZA... PIZZA... Jamie Wylie patiently awaits customers at a favorite pizzeria, Little Ceasars.

STUDENT COUNCIL... Beth Cortis, Jennifer Peterson, Shannon Wilson, Stephanie Stay, Kelly Hutchins, Kim Parsons, Phil Clark, Nicole Rose, Jenny Forshee, Renee Bauer, Leah Cooper, Adam King, Adam Drake, Renee Woolcock, Heather Horvath, Brie Budzinski.





CHRISTMAS RUSH...Danielle Falkiewicz works to keep the shelves stocked during December at Target.

SHUFFLING THROUGH THE RACKS...Lisa Prayer works hard organizing at her job at Kmart.

IN A NICE ATMOSPHERE...Jenny Forshee and Jennifer Kunz clean up the desk at Hicks.

Achievements - Class of 97

John Basehore Soccer 12; Track 11,12

Renee Bauer: Varsity Club 10,11; Powder Puff 11,12; Newspaper 11,12; TV Studio 11,12; Tennis 9,10,11,12; Track 11; Student Council 10,11,12

Carrie Bechill: Yearbook 11,12; Chorus 9,10; TA 12; Powder Puff 11,12; JV Basketball 10; Tennis 12; Student Council 11,12; Bible Club 12

Richard Bechill: Tennis 10,11,12; Bible Club 12

Devona Becker: TA 10,11; Drama 12; Tennis 9; French Club 9,10

Veronica Bender: Skill Center 11,12

Anna Liisa Blanck: Quiz Bowl 9; Band 11,12; Symphonic Band 9,10,11,12; French Club 9,10,11

Matthew Bommarito: Mr. Muskrat 10; JV Basketball 9,10; Football 11; Wrestling 9

Gabe Boseman: TA 11,12; Football 9,10,11

Vanessa Bridenbaugh: Tennis 9; Homecoming Court 10,11,12; TA 11; Newspaper 11,12

Amy Briskey: National Honor Society 11,12; TA 12; Powder Puff 11,12; Basketball 11,12; JV Basketball 9,10; Volleyball 11,12; JV Volleyball 9,10

Robert Bruce: Skill Center 11,12; JV Basketball 9; Tennis 9,10,11

Brienne Budzinski: National Honor Society 12; Homecoming Court 11,12; Powder Puff 11,12; Newspaper 11,12; JV Basketball 9; Cheerleading 11; Tennis 10,11,12; Student Council 12; Track 12; Dance Team 12; TV Studio

Ron Burns: JV Basketball 9,10; Football 11,12; JV Football 10; Baseball 11,12

Matt Cameron: TA 11,12; Basketball 9; Football 11; Golf 9; Track 9

Shaun Campbell: JV Basketball 9,10; Cross Country 11

Don Capadagli: TA 11,12; JV Basketball 9; Football 11,12 JV Football 9,10; Hockey 9,10,11; Baseball 9,10,11,12

Jeni Carrette: SADD 12; Band 9,10,11,12; Taft Road Jazz Band 9,10,11,12; Symphonic Band 9,10,11,12; TA 12

Gus Castle: Homecoming Court 12; TA 10,11; JV Baseball 10; Football 10,11,12; JV Football 9; Hockey 10, 11; Track 9; Baseball 10,11,12

Charles Childs: Co op 12; Sk. Ctr 10, 11, 12

Derek Chwan TA 12; Golf 10, 11, 12; Baseball 11

Andrea Claey's: Skill Center 11,12; TA 11; Track 11; French Club 9,10

Phil Clark: NHS 11,12; Quiz Bowl 10,11,12; Rainbow Connection 9,10,11,12; Homecoming Court 11,12; Mr Muskrat 10,11,12; Drama 11,12; Newspaper 12; DAR 12; Cross Country 10,11,12; Track 10; Class Officer 12; Student Council 11,12; Class President 12

Gloria Clarke: NHS 12; Rainbow Connection 9,10, 11, 12; Co op 11, 12; Sk Ctr. 11,12; Powder Puff 12; Cheerleading 10, 11

Leah Cooper: TA 12; Class officer 12; Student Council 10,11,12; French Club 9,10, 11

Elizabeth Cortis: Varsity Club 11,12; Yearbook 10, 11, 12; Homecoming Court 9,10, 12; TA 11; Powder Puff 11,12; Newspaper 12; JV Basketball 9,10; Tennis 11, 12; JV Volleyball 10; Class officer 9, 10, 11; Student Council 9,10, 11, 12; Student Council President 12; Class president 9,10, 11

Amber Couture: Tennis 9; French Club 9,10,11; Yearbook 12; TA 12; Powder Puff 12

Erica Davey: Chorus 9,10; Rainbow Connection 11,12; Powder Puff 11, 12; Newspaper 11, 12; Cheerleading 9; Softball 10, 12; JV Softball 9; Tennis 10, 11; JV Volleyball 9,10; Student Council 11; Bible Club 12; Rat Review editor 12

Jason DeSot: Varsity Club 10, 11; Mr. Muskrat 9, 10; TA 11; Powder Puff 11,12; JV Basketball 9, 10; Basketball 11,12; JV Football9; Baseball 9,10,11,12

Warren Doss: Hockey 9, 10, 11

Emily Downey: Rainbow Connection 9, 10, 11,12; Sk. Ctr 12; Tennis 9; Student Council 9

Adam Drake: Quiz Bowl 10, 11; Rainbow Connection 9,10,11,12; Mr. Muskrat 11,12; Drama 11,12; Newspaper 12; Class officer 12; Student Council 12

Tammy Dumond: Sk. Ctr 12; TA 12; Powder Puff 12; Mat Maid 12; Track 12

Ruth Dunlap: Science Olympics 9,10; Band 9, 10,11,12; Symphonic Band 9,10, 11,12; French Club 9,10,11; Bible Club 10,11

William Engelhardt: TA 12; JV Football 10

Danielle Falkiewicz: Yearbook 12; Powder Puff 11,12; Tennis 12; French Club 9, 10, 11

Johnna Fett: Powder Puff 11, 12

Anthony Folkerts: SADD 12; Science Olympics 11,12; Mr. Muskrat 12; Sk.Ctr 12; Wrestling 11; Bible Club 12

Jenny Forshee: TA 12; Drama 12; JV Basketball 9; Tennis 10; Student Council 9,10,11,12; French Club 9,10,11,12

Marc Fournier: Skill Center 12

Josh Frantz: TA 9,10,11,12; Basketball 9, JV Basketball 10; Golf 9

Joe Funke: Co-op 12; TA 12; Basketball 9,10,11,12; JV Basketball 10; Golf 9,10,11,12; Tennis 9,10,11,12

Tina Garrido: Rainbow Connection 9,10,11,12; Powder Puff 12; Cheerleading 10,11

Tajhia Gillette: Yearbook 11; Chorus 9,10; Rainbow Connection 11,12; Co op 12; Track 9

Jason Glowski: Rainbow Connection 12; Co op 12; Track 12; Wrestling 10; Bible Club 12

Michael Hale: Track 9, 10, 11, 12

Kevin Hall : TA 11; JV Baseball 9, Golf 9,11,12

Wes Harrington: Football 12; Track 12

Brandi Henneman: Yearbook 10, 12; Chorus 9, Drama 11,12; Powder Puff 12; Newspaper 12; Cheerleading 10

Kelly Heron: SADD 12; Marching Band 9,10, 11,12; Symphonic Band 9,10, 11,12; TA 11, 12; Powder Puff 12; Yearbook 12; French Club 9, 10; Winterguard 12; Newspaper 12

Tonya Hickey: SADD 9, 10, 11,12; Science Olympics 9, 10; Chorus 9,10, 11,12; TA 12

Ericka Hildreth TA 11,12; Drama 12; Powder Puff 11,12; Newspaper 11,12; Mat Maid 10,11,12; Softball 10,11,12

Randy Hill: Rainbow Connection 9,10,11,12

Sara Hollen: Band 9,10; Symphonic Band 9,10; TA 11,12; Newspaper 12; Track 11; French Club 10, 11,12

Heather Horvath: TA 11,12; Powder Puff 11,12; Student Council 12; Rat Shack 11

Willis Hotchkiss NHS 11,12; JV Baseball 9, 10; Basketball 11,12; JV Basketball 9,10; Football 11,12; JV Football 9,10; Baseball 11,12

Nichole Houf: Rainbow Connection 9,10, 11,12; Sk. Ctr 11; Cheerleading 10,11,12

Kelly Hutchins: Varsity Club 11; Yearbook 10,11,12; Homecoming court 9,10,11,12; Powder Puff 11,12; Cheerleading 9; V. Softball 11,12; JV Softball 9,10; Class officer 9,10,11,12; French Club 9,10, 11; TV Studio 12

Eric Jarvi: Sk. Ctr 11; TA 12; Football 10,11,12; Basketball 12; JV Football 9, Hockey 9,10,11; Track 10,11,12

Jenn Johnson: Powder Puff 11; Track 9,10; French Club 9,10,11

Melissa Kazor: Tennis 9,10

Sun Oak Kim: National Honor Society 11,12; TA 12; Drama 12; Powder Puff 12; JV Basketball 10; Tennis 12; Student Council 10

Adam King: National Honor Society 11,12; Quiz Bowl 11,12; Mr. Muskrat 11; TA 12; Student Council 12; French Club 9,11,12

Keith Kodet: Skill Center 11,12

Jason Kotarski: TA 12; JV Football 9

Amelia Kreilter: TA 12; Drama 12; Powder Puff 12; Tennis 12

Lisa Lane: National Honor Society 11,12; Quiz Bowl 10,11,12; Science Olympics 9,10,11,12; Rainbow Connection 9,10,11,12; Track 12; Bible Club 10,11

Adam Lozen: National Honor Society 12; TA 11,12; JV Baseball 9,10; Golf 9,10,11,12; Student Council 9,10; Baseball 11,12

Lynn Mackie: Varsity Club 9,10,11,12; TA 11,12; Drama 11,12; JV Basketball 9; Cross Country 10,11,12; Track 9,10,11,12; JV Volleyball 9,10

Christina Mahac: Yearbook 12; TA 12; Cross Country 9,10,11,12

Paul Mastej: Co-op 11,12; Skill Center 11,12; TA 11; Equestrian Team 9,10,11,12

Gordon McCurdy: Yearbook 11,12; Homecoming Court 12; Mr. Muskrat 11,12; TA 11,12; Cross Country 10,11,12; Track 9,10,11,12; Wrestling 11; Student Council 11

Brian Meldrum: JV Baseball 9,10,11; JV Basketball 9,10; JV Football 9,10; Football 11,12

Monica Meldrum: TA 10,11; Tennis 9; Student Council 9; French Club 9,10

Chris Merrill: Skill Center 11,12

Kendra Mondello: SADD 12; Band 9,10,11,12; Taft Road Jazz Band 9; Symphonic Band 9,10,11,12; Color Guard 9,10,11,12; TA 11,12; Winter Guard 10,11,12

Jon Moroschan: Band 9,10,11,12; Taft Road Jazz Band 9,10,11,12; Symphonic Band 9,10,11,12; Mr. Muskrat 9; TA 11,12

John Morris: Skill Center 11,12; Track 9; Tennis 12

Angela Murray: SADD 9,10,11; Science Olympics 11,12; Chorus 9,10,11,12; TA 11; Powder Puff 11,12; TV Studio 12; French Club 10,11,12

Adam Nixon: Varsity Club 12; Yearbook 12; Mr. Muskrat 12; TA 11,12; Wrestling 9,10,11,12

Amy Palmer: National Honor Society 12; Science Olympics 10,11,12; TA 12; Track 9,10,11,12

Kim Parsons: Homecoming Court 9,12; TA 11,12; Powder Puff 12; Newspaper 12; National Honor Society 12; Softball 11,12; Student Council 12

Nick Percy: Skill Center 11,12; TA 12

Richard Pearson: TA 11; Newspaper 12; Basketball 9; JV Basketball 10; Track 9

Shannon Pearson: SADD 10,11,12; Chorus 9,11,12

Jennifer Peterson: NHS 11,12; Varsity Club 11,12; Rainbow Connection 9,10,11,12; Homecoming Court 12; Skill Center 11; TA 12; Powder Puff 12; Soccer 12; Newspaper 11,12; Cross Country 11; Track 9,10,11,12; JV Volleyball 11,12; Volleyball 11,12; Student Council 11,12; Dance Team 12

Lauren Petre: Chorus 10; NHS 12; Drama 10,11,12; Powder Puff 12; Newspaper 10,11,12; Cheerleading 9,10,11,12; Capt 11,12; TV Studio 11,12

Kristen Phelan: Chorus 12; TA 11; JV Basketball 11; Basketball 12; Softball 11,12

Lisa Prayter: TA 11,12; National Honor Society 11,12; Powder Puff 11,12; Softball 11,12; JV Softball 10; French Club 9,10,11,12; Bible Club 10

Brandon Rank: Mr. Muskrat 10,11,12; TA 11,12; Drama 11,12; Soccer 12; JV Baseball 9,10; Football 10,11; JV Football 9; Wrestling 9,10,11,12; Baseball 11,12

James Rappaport: Varsity Club 10,11,12; Chorus 9,10,11,12; Mr. Muskrat 9,10,11,12; TA 10,11; JV Basketball 9,10; Cross Country 11,12; Golf 9,10; Tennis 12; Track 9

Keith Ravis: Varsity Club 11; Homecoming Court 9,10,12; TA 11,12; Powder Puff 11,12; Newspaper 11,12; JV Baseball 9; Basketball 9,10,11,12; Football 9,10,11,12; JV Football 9; Baseball 9,10,11,12

Felipe Ribeiro: Soccer 12

Wendi Roberts: Skill Center 11,12; TA 12

Dan Rose: Band 9,10,11,12; Symphonic Band 9,10,11,12; Mr. Muskrat 10,11,12; Newspaper 12; Basketball 9; Hockey 10,11; Muskrat 12

Nicole Rose: Varsity Club 11,12; Yearbook 11,12; Editor 12; TA 12; Powder Puff 11,12; Soccer 12; Tennis 10,11; Track 10,11,12; Volleyball 11,12; JV Volleyball 11,12; Class Officer 11,12; Student Council 11,12

Lorrie Roush: National Honor Society 11,12; SADD 9,10,11,12; Chorus 9,10,11,12

Tibor Sabo: Chorus 11,12

Clifton Sartain: Skill Center 11,12

Vicki Schenk: Chorus 10,11,12; TA 11

Jason Schilling: Varsity Club 9,10,11; Mr. Muskrat 9,11,12; TA 9,10,11,12; JV Basketball 9,10; Football 9,10,11,12; Baseball 9,10,11,12

Shawn Schulte: TA 11,12; Track 9,10

Alek Shiloff: NHS 11,12; Band 10,11,12; Symphonic Band 9,10,11,12

Eric Shumaker: Band 9,10,11,12; Taft Road Jazz Band 9,10,11,12; Symphonic Band 9,10,11,12; TA 11,12

Barbara Dale Smith: Yearbook 11,12; Editor 12; Homecoming Court 12; TA 12; Drama 10,11,12; Powder Puff 12; Basketball 9; Cheerleading 9,10,11,12; Capt 12; Track 9,10,11,12; French Club 9,10,11

Dana Smith: Yearbook 11,12; Band 9,10,11,12; Taft Road Jazz Band 11; Symphonic Band 9,10,11,12; TA 12; Student Council 9

Jeff Sperry: Yearbook 12; Mr. Muskrat 9,10; TA 11,12; Golf 12; Wrestling 9,10,11,12; Rat Shack 11

James Stafford: SADD 9; Chorus 9; Skill Center 11,12

Stephanie Stay: Varsity Club 11; Yearbook 10,11,12; Editor 12; Powder Puff 11,12; Soccer 12; Cheerleading 10,11,12; Tennis 10,11; Track 10,11,12; Student Council 10,11,12; TV Studio 11,12; Mat Maid 12; NHS 12; Newspaper 12

Tracey Stephenson: Chorus 9; TA 11,12; Drama 11,12; Softball 11,12; JV Volleyball 10,11

Anna Stewart: Chorus 11,12; Rainbow Connection 9,10,11,12

Jessica Stringer: Rainbow Connection 9,10,11,12; Co-op 12; Skill Center

Cory Sutton: NHS 11,12; Varsity Club 9,10,11,12; Mr. Muskrat 12; TA 11,12; JV Baseball 9,10; Golf 9,10,11,12; Hockey 10; Student Council 9,10; Baseball 11,12

Jeff Sykes: Band 9,10,11,12; Symphonic Band 9,10,11; Skill Center 12

Tera Tesch: SADD 9,10; TEC 11,12

Dominic Ticconi: Homecoming Court 9,10,11,12; Mr. Muskrat 10; TA 11,12; JV Baseball 9,10; Varsity Basketball 11,12; JV Basketball 10; Golf 9,10,11,12; Student Council 9,10,11; Baseball 11,12

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Jason Wagner: TA 12; Bible Club 9,10,11

Melanie Wagner: Band 9,10,11,12; Symphonic Band 9,11; Color Guard 9,10,11,12; TA 11; Powder Puff 11,12; Newspaper 11,12; Student Council 9

Jeff Watson: Mr. Muskrat 11; TA 12; Drama 12; JV Baseball 10; Football 10,11,12; JV Football 9; Wrestling 10,11,12; Baseball 11,12

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Georgi Wenckovsky: Chorus 9,10,11,12; TA 12; Cross Country 9,10,11,12; Track 9,10;

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Miranda Wesch: SADD 10,12; Science Olympics 10; Chorus 9,10,11,12; TA 11,12; Powder Puff 11

Keith Wierszewski: JV Football 9,10; Track 9,10

Mike Wilhelm: Yearbook 12; Mr. Muskrat 11; TA 11,12; Newspaper 11; Football 11,12; JV Football 9,10; Wrestling 9,10,11,12

Jennifer Williams: Skill Center 10,11; TA 10,11; Softball 9

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Barb Wisswell: Skill Center 12; TA 11; Tennis 9,10,11,12; Volleyball 9; Student Council 9

Jarvis Woods: Wrestling 12

Renee Woolcock: NHS 11,12; V. Club 10,11; TA 11,12; Drama 12; Powder Puff 11,12; Track 9,10,11,12; JV Volleyball 9,10,11; Class Officer 11,12; Student Council 9,10,11,12

Todd Worley: TA 12

Jamie Wylie: Band 9,10,11,12; Symphonic Band 9,10,11,12; Mr. Muskrat 12; Skill Center 11,12

HSPT thoughts

As February got nearer many people had thoughts of love and Valentines Day on their minds. But, for this year's juniors, many of these thoughts were replaced with fear. The fear was of not passing the HSPT test.

Just by asking around you could tell people had harsh feelings toward this test. As Angi Gerald said, "I do not think we should have HSPT because I have heard a lot of bad things about it." This year was the second year of the proficiency test, and the first time there was tutoring before it. Courtney Pioszak said, "I heard it was really hard, stupid, and a waste of time. Also, half of the stuff on it people never learned."

For Juniors, the test controlled much of their academic life. To help prepare, teachers co ordinated classes around HSPT preparation. As Margeaux Peters said: class this year involved "writing, writing, math problems, writing, writing and writing and oh yeah, we did some writing."

With all of the talk aside, HSPT meant a different focus for all involved. For the teachers, critical thinking skills were key. Each teacher worked with different activities focusing on these skills, School wide writing days also helped with this focus. So did the faculty problem solving committee that was part of the North Central Accrediation. This committee continued to design activities including the January writing day focus on comparing and contrasting. For all students, writing across the curriculum became a reality.

HSPT TUTORING... Graham Puranen, Kelly Savage and James Kandler take advantage of the extra help in science from Mrs. Debbie Fenton.

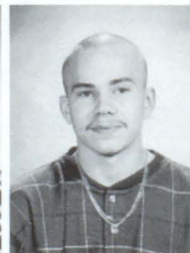
PRE WRITING is a key. Julie Walters, Cassi BommaritoTheresa Stahl, Katie May and Theresa Rose research Civil War battles before the comparision contrast paper.



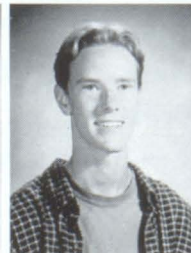
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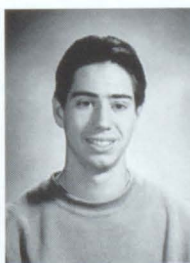
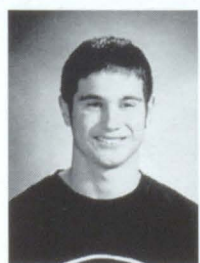
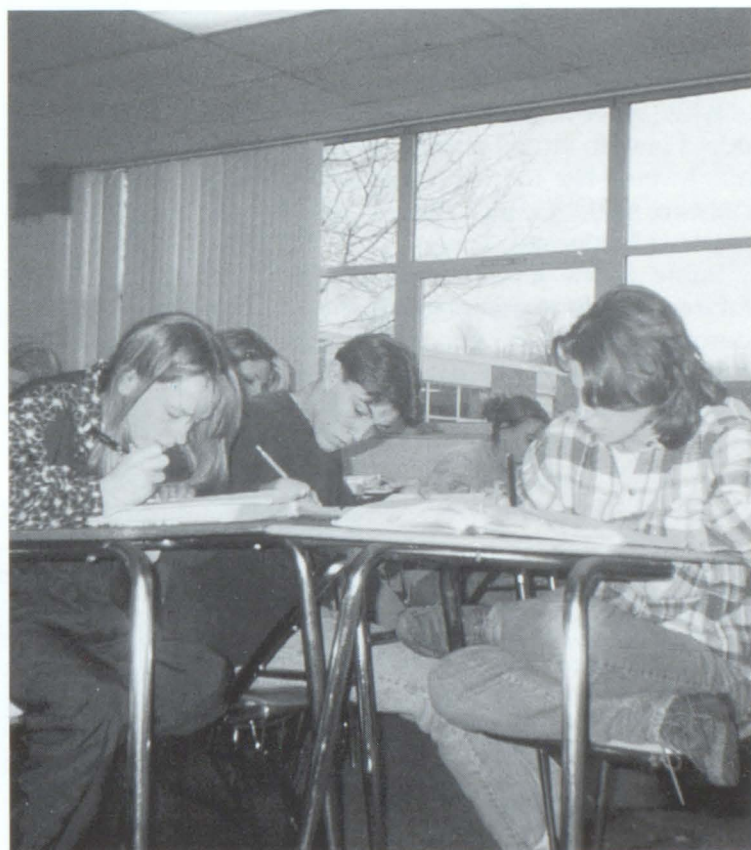
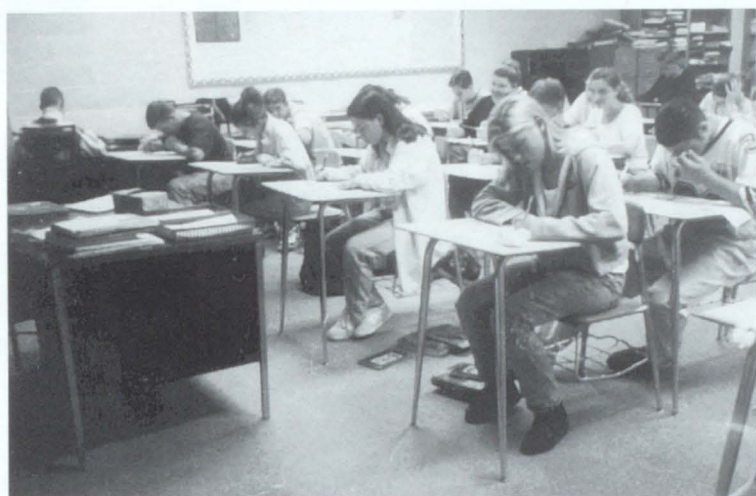
Kurt Berger
Kristy Bizzotto
Matt Blanck
Kurt Bolia
Cassi Bommarito



PROFICIENT... Mike Bender, Hector DeSaddler, Jason Gontarek, and Nathan Maroney listen as Mr. Steve Young presents a 4 paper.

WRITING DAYS... Kelly Langdon, Kate Dearie and Lindsay Kulba work on a comparison/ contrast paper.

TEAMWORK... Group work is one of the techniques that Michelle Lupenski, Eric Vandeirdonk, and Jenny Lenik use to get themselves ready for this years big test.



Dustin Boyd
Amber Brackett
Jayson Breitmeyer
Cortney Bremerkamp
Mark Bruce
Robbie Bryson



Shana Cadena
Nicole Cameron
Brandy Carithers
Dan Carpenter
Terry Cartwright
Ben Clark



Ray Clark
Brian Cook
Christina Coughlin
Liz Dearie
Kate Dearie
Lisa DeLaere

Futures after AHS

Leaving high school... this thought can be a bit scary and yet so very exciting. This may be a scary because of all the unknown factors. However to others, it is more a feeling of relief. Their graduation next year brings up a serious question...What will they do with the rest of their lives?

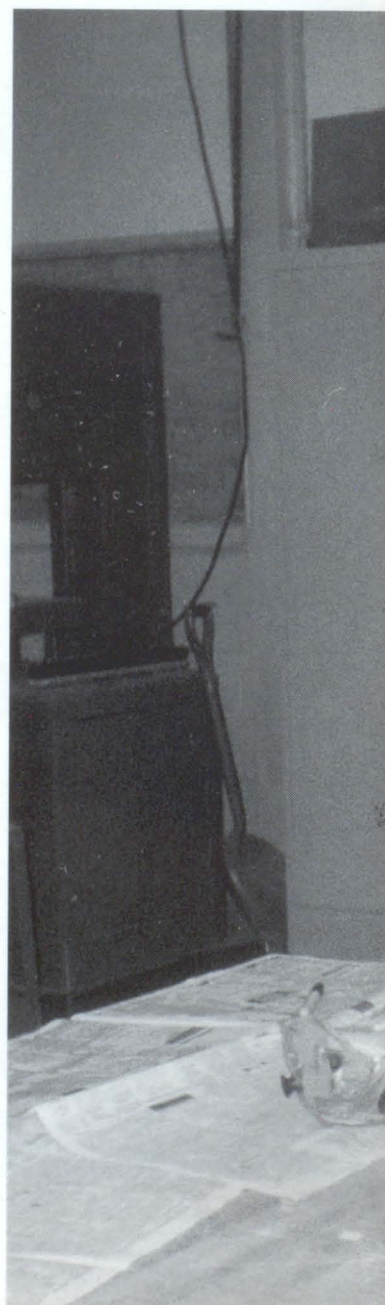
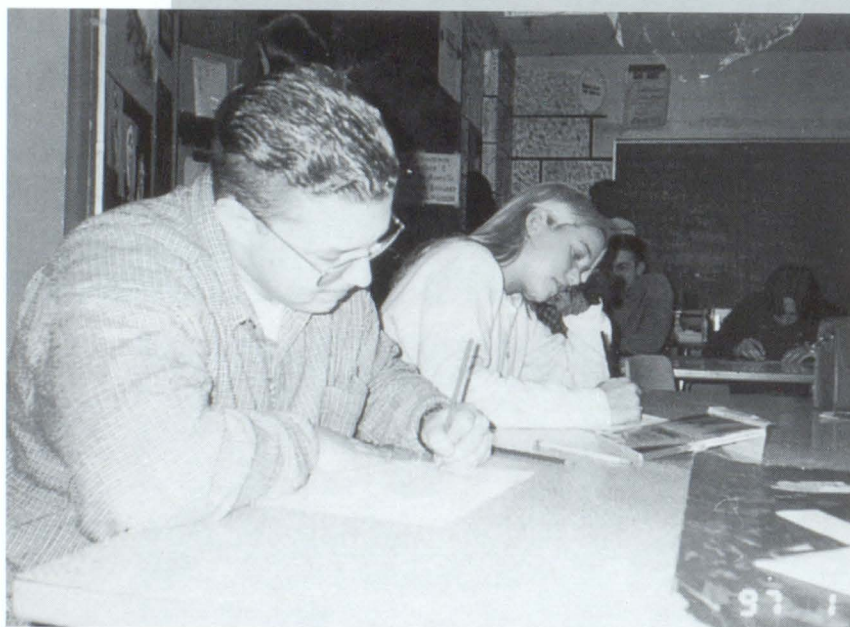
When surveyed, the results varied: Hector DeSaddler stated, "I plan to attend college in North Carolina after I graduate. I would like to be a basketball player or a coach." Lisa DeLeare said, "I want to go to Central or Michigan State and major in business."

Some of the juniors already have plans for the far off future. Heather Rymar plans to go to Italy and travel through Europe with a friend and a backpack. Richard Grant would like to keep away from school, skateboard, and live in Algonac forever.

RESEARCH... is a key element for any college bound junior. Michelle Lupenski and Jenny Lenik use the Pro Quest to search the magazine data base for their research paper.

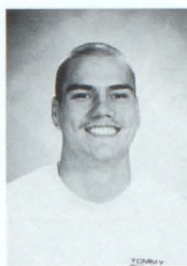


STEP ONE... is a sketch. Amber Tymczak and Jason Maul complete the sketch prior to beginning the finished product.

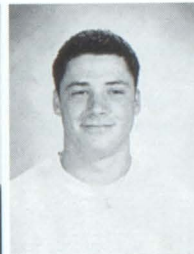


FUTURE CHEMISTS... Chemistry is a tough subject, but the labs help to illustrate various principles. Don Maes, Noah DeLange, Rebecca Gates and Katie May work under the watchful eye of Mr. Jesse Sabo to drive water from copper sulphate.

CONCENTRATION... is key for Jayson Breitmeyer as he finishes his project in Art.



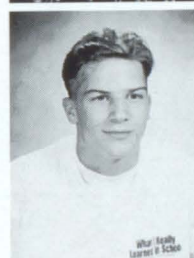
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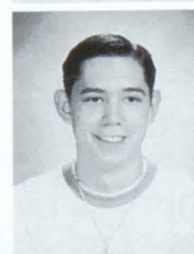
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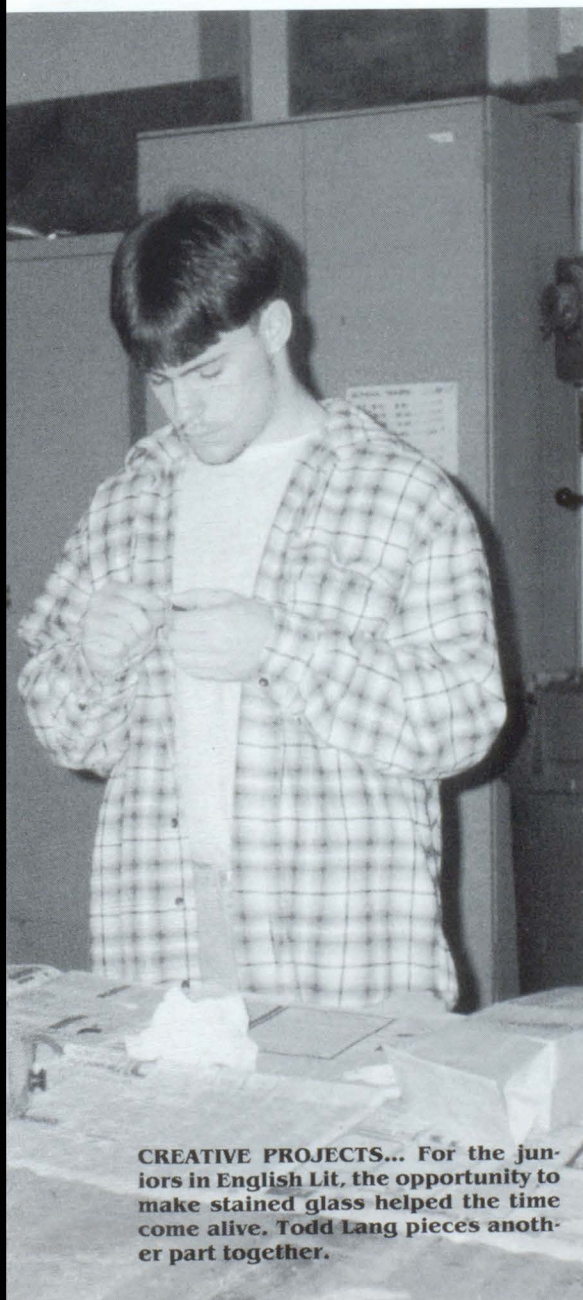
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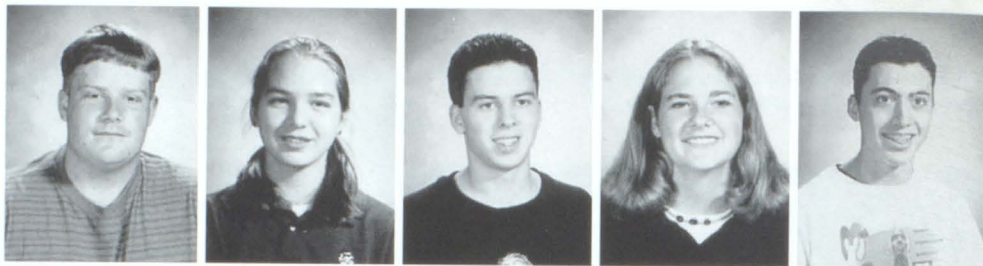


Amanda Hardy
Misty Harvey
Paul Hensley



CREATIVE PROJECTS... For the juniors in English Lit, the opportunity to make stained glass helped the time come alive. Todd Lang pieces another part together.

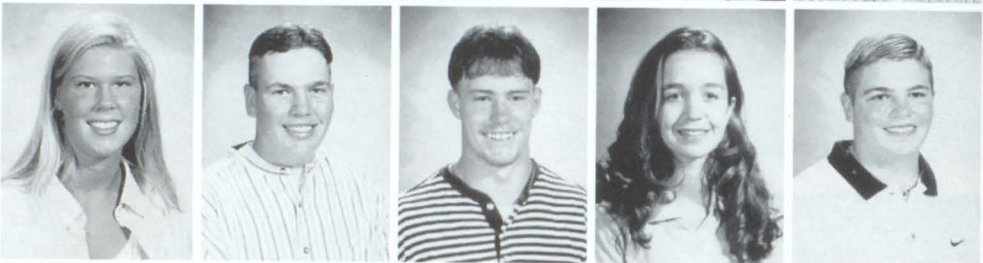
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Angela Knight
Dave Kowalski
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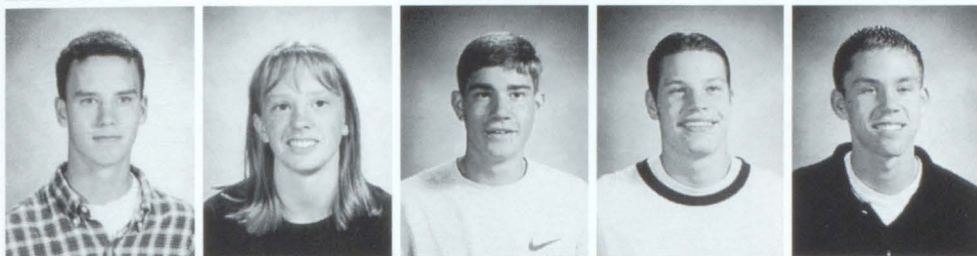
CATCHING RAYS...Earning extra money, while working at the Beach Amber Tymczak catches up on her tan.

SUNSHINE THOUGHTS...Lindsey Kulba shows off her tan while working at Phonix Sun.

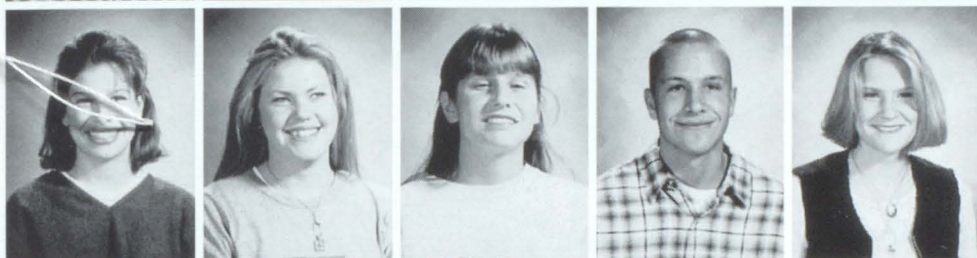




Carey Larabee
Doug Lasky
Chris Laux
Jennifer Lenik
Charles Lobert



Steve Lochbiler
Michelle Lupenski
Don Maes
Fred Makinen
Nathan Maroney



Katie May
Brooke McDermott
Erin McNeely
Jason Meldrum
Marie Mitchell

Getting extra cash

Rolling in the dough! Everyone has a job for the extra money to buy all of those extra things they want. Lindsey Kulba works at Phoenix Sun in New Baltimore. She likes working here because "It is easy and I don't have to do much." Amber Tymczak works at the Beach in New Baltimore "I like this job the most, but I do not like it when it is boring." Josh Burr works at Farmer Jack in Algonac and he likes the money the most. Courtney Pioszak works at Bucks in Fair Haven "I like working here because everyone get's along well and I do whatever I want." Dustin Boyd works at Lumber Jack in Algonac "I like working here because everyone gets along, and they work around my busy schedule. Steve Lochbiler thinks Henry's is boring and all he does is sits around and he doesn't do anything.



WAITING TABLES...Courtney Pioszak takes time out from her busy schedule at Bucks to pose for a picture.



EXTRA CASH...Among other things Dustin Boyd sweeps the floor at Lumber Jack.

Upperclassmen status

Being a junior means many things. No longer are class schedules filled with basic classes. The schedules become filled with more electives. Most juniors only need an English and American History class, the rest are usually their choice. One of the most popular junior classes is psychology. "Psychology is one of my favorite classes, but is also my toughest. This is because Mr. Greenwood expects a lot from his students", said Rick Hombaker.

Juniors begin to assume the role of class leadership. They prepare to become seniors and leaders of the school. They stop feeling embarrassed to show spirit and start participating more in assemblies and school activities. This years competition was intense with juniors defeating seniors in spirit string only to lose the powder puff game in a close battle.

The parking lot is filled with upperclassmen's cars. Finally juniors are free of the troubles of finding a ride home from other students. Even better than that they are through riding that noisy bus for an hour everyday of school.

Finally, juniors thoughts turn to next year and school leadership. Having the chance to set the spirit guidelines is something that the class of '99 is looking forward to. With the responsibility of being the last class of the twentieth century, the challenges remain.

PARADE PRIDE... Margeaux Peters, Theresa Stahl, and Annie Rockwood cheerfully walk in the parade to display their junior pride.

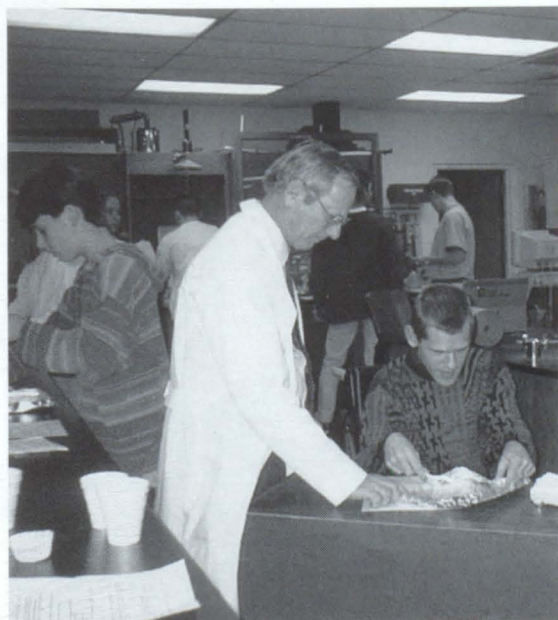
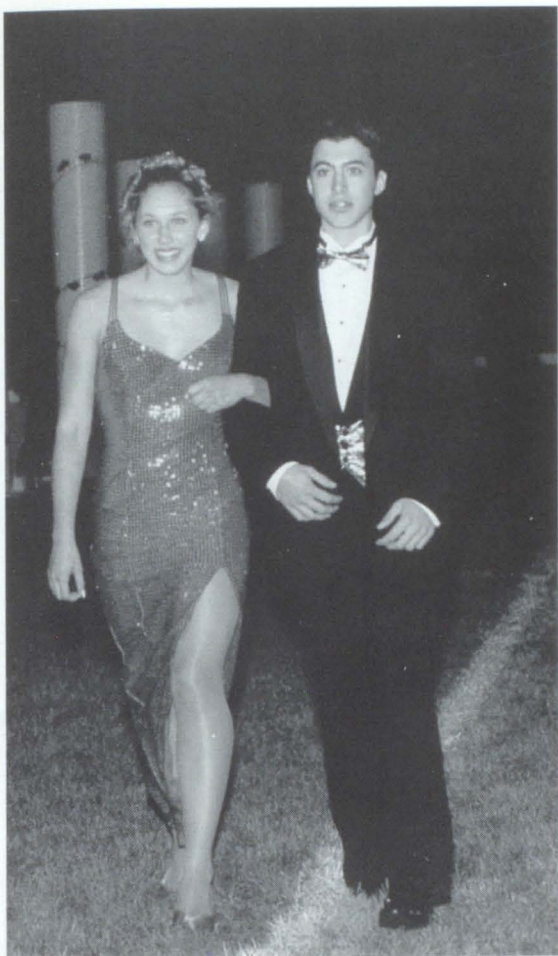


Junior Student Council... front row: Kelly Langdon, Catherine Bommarito, Anne Rockwood, Nicole Quandt back row: Melissa Pauwels, Stephanie Zyrd, Nicole Cameron, Erica Worthen *Not pictured:* Courtney Pioszak, Theresa Stahl, Lisa DeLaere, Margeaux Peters, Tami Tomes, Rebecca Gates



LET'S DO LUNCH... Tami Johnson and Courtney Pioszak take a break from lunch and pose for a picture.

REPRESENTING... The homecoming is a big part of school, Nicole Cameron and Corry Jobin proudly represent the junior class.



SCIENCE EXPLOSIONS... Required classes can also be fun. Mr. Sabo explains the experiment procedures to Carey Larabee.



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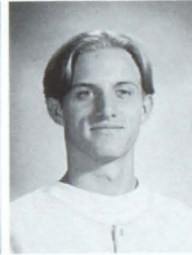
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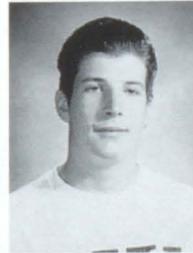
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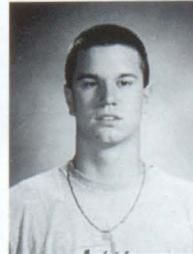
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Courtney Pioszak
Graham Puranen
Nicole Quandt



Derek Reno
Anne Rockwood
Tina Rohn



Willie Rohn
John Runde
Brandi Russell

Hanging Out...

During the many hours after school and on the weekends, the juniors like to have fun by doing everything from going to the movies, parties, hanging at a friends house, going to the mall, or clubs.

"I like to go out with my friends on the weekends." said Niki Quandt

A lot of the Algonac students enjoy attending sporting events. Steve Lochbiler said, "After our home basketball games, we go out to eat and celebrate at McDonalds." "After our away basketball games we stop and eat at Burger King on the way home." said Jason Meldrum.

There are also alot of complaints about nowhere to go and nothing to do in Algonac. Kim Steward said, "There's not much to do in Algonac, I think we need a dance club."

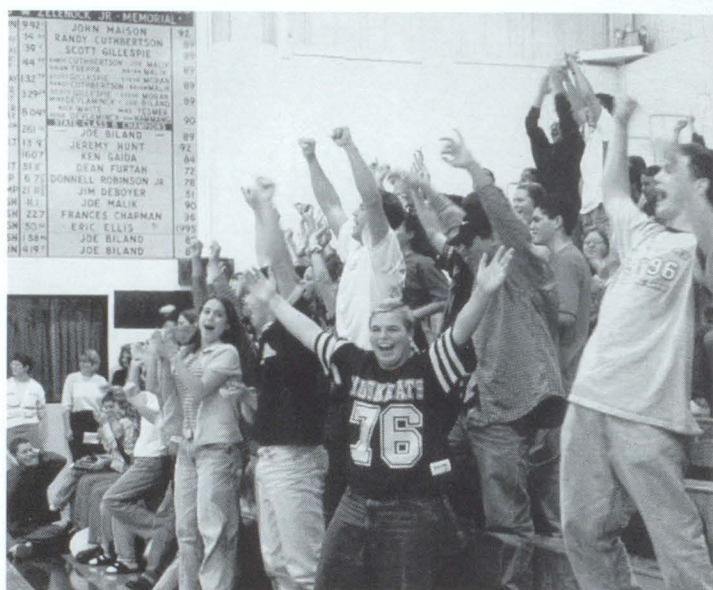
"Algonac may be a small city with not alot to do but we try to make the best of it." said Tami Tomes.



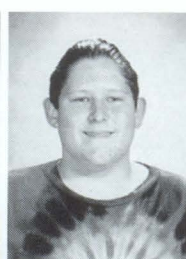
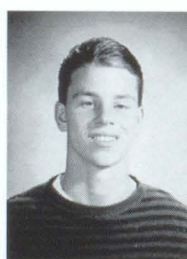
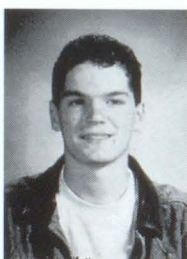
THREE'S COMPANY... for Sara Hollen, Theresa Stahl and Margeaux Peters.

TAKING A BREAK... Amber Brackett, Theresa Stahl, Annie Rockwood, Julie Walters, Cassi Bommarito and Kelly Langdon enjoy the Homecoming dance.

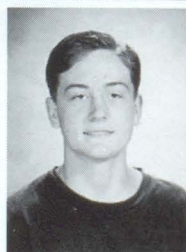
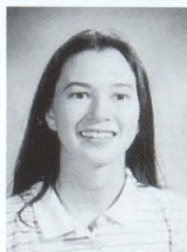
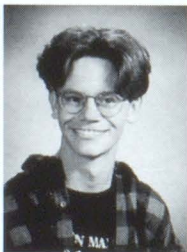
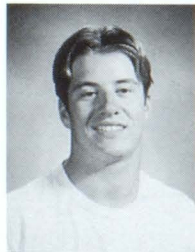
SCHOOL SPIRIT... Juniors get rowdy and involved at pep assemblies.



Heather Rymar
Francis Sampler
Danielle Sartain
Robert Schrader
Kurt Scheur
Tina Schulte



Don Schwehofer
Matt Shelley
Lori Smith
Melissa Smith
Nathan Smith
Sean Snyder



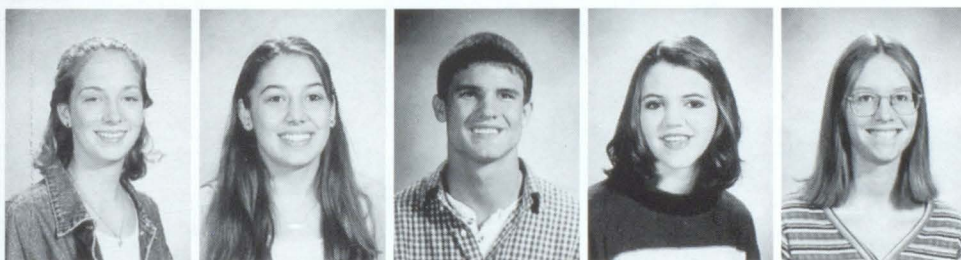
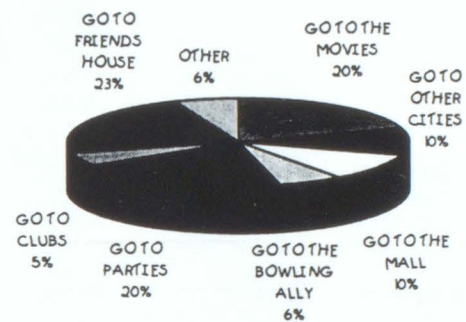
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Jennifer Sutton



POSING FOR A PICTURE... At MIPA, journalism students stopped to hang out with Eric Ellis including Nicole Cameron, Jenny Sutton, Amber Brackett, Theresa Stahl, Jeff Krum, Margeaux Peters, Tina Coughlin, Sara Hollen, Christina Mahac, Megan Taylor, Sandy Harrington, Cassi Bommarito, Crystal Billiu, and Heather Rymar



What juniors do with their spare time



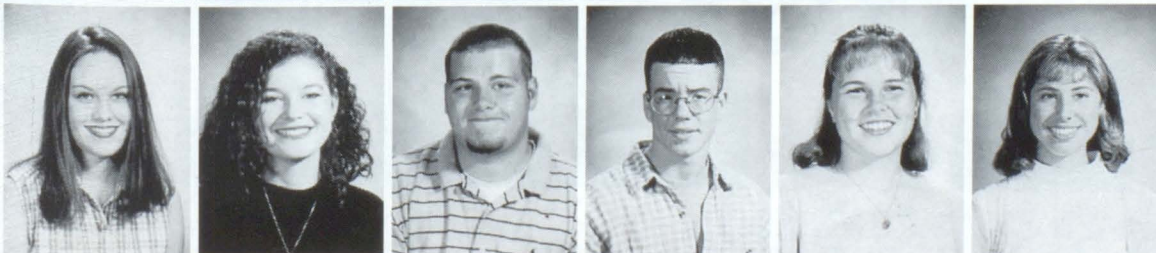
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Tim Ulman
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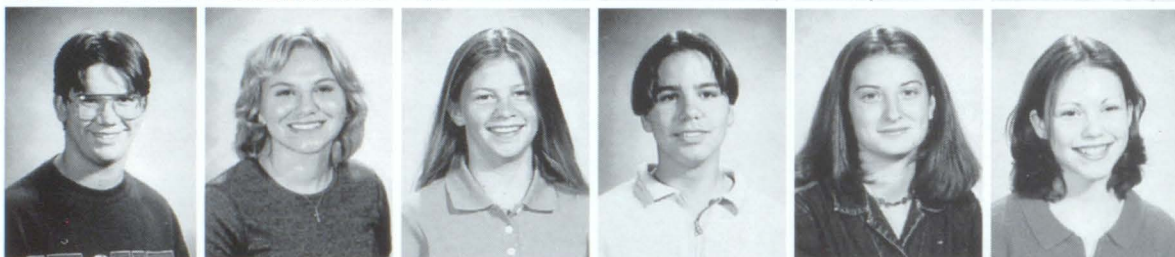
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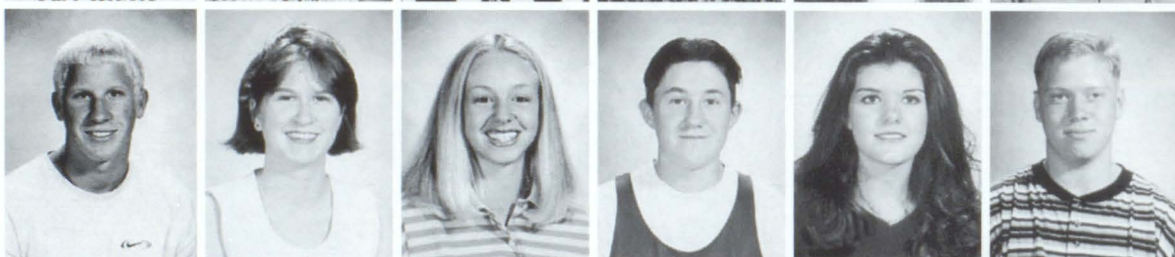
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Brian Brown
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Clayton Byerly
Kerry Capadagli
Heather Castle
Jeff Castonia
Justine Chontos
Allen Chwan



Patricia Clarke
Jeff Collins
Ben Coomer
Jaime Curtis
James Cuthbertson
Kevin Cuthbertson



Anthony D'Ambrosio
Ken Dandron
Dave Danielson
Rene Davey
Kevin Davis
Dave Deitz



"I LOOK UP TO MY DAD BECAUSE...He has not forgot what it is like to be a teenager, even though he is forty-one," said Stephanie Goral.



SHOOTING FOR TWO...Erin Rickard playing basketball like the pros that everyone looks up to.

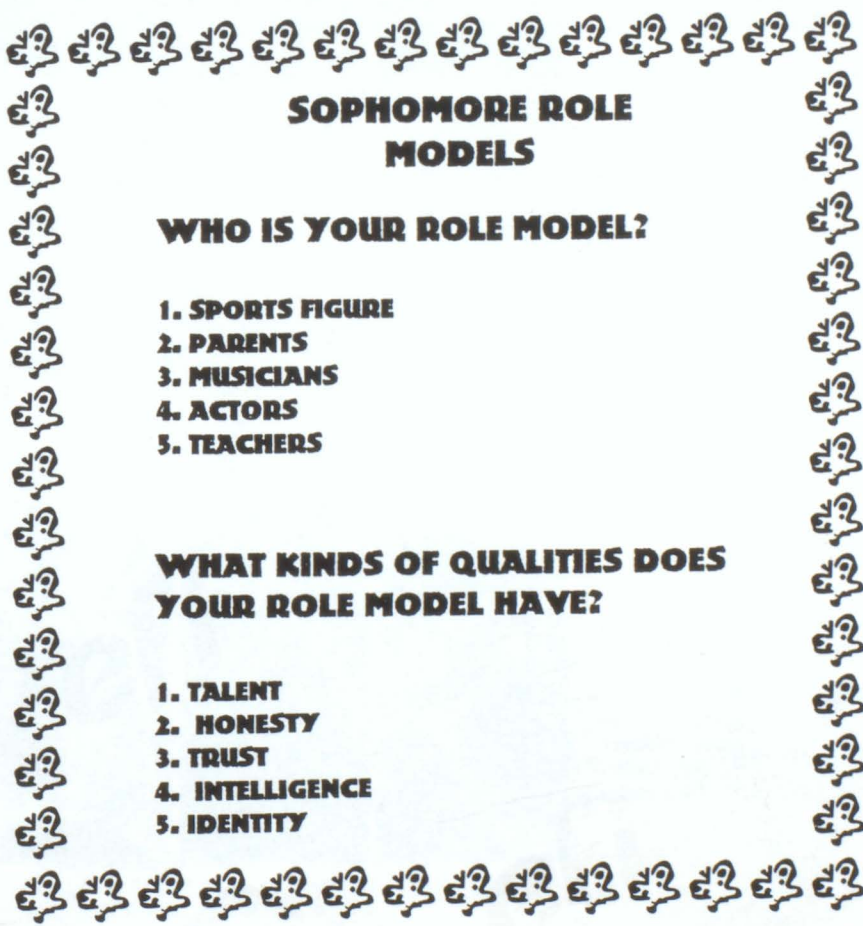
Reach For The Stars

Almost everyone has that special person to look up to. Admiration for that person is what makes up a role model. Some qualities a role model may possess are honesty, trust, talent, and intelligence. "Allen Iverson is my role model because he is a good basketball player and he is hot " said Alicia Wenz.

Role models are a variety of different people. Most common sports figures, actors, teachers, musicians, and parents. "I look up to my mom because she stands up for what she believes in," said Samantha Hallman.

Not only can you have a role model, but being a role model for others is a job we must also face. Little children look up to high-schoolers who play a sport that they like to play, and others who do other honorable activities.

People have role models because it is someone they can look up to, admire, and trust. Most of all someone to believe in. Living in a world filled with problems someone to look up to is very important. Role models can sometimes make us think about the person we truly want to be.



SOPHOMORE ROLE MODELS

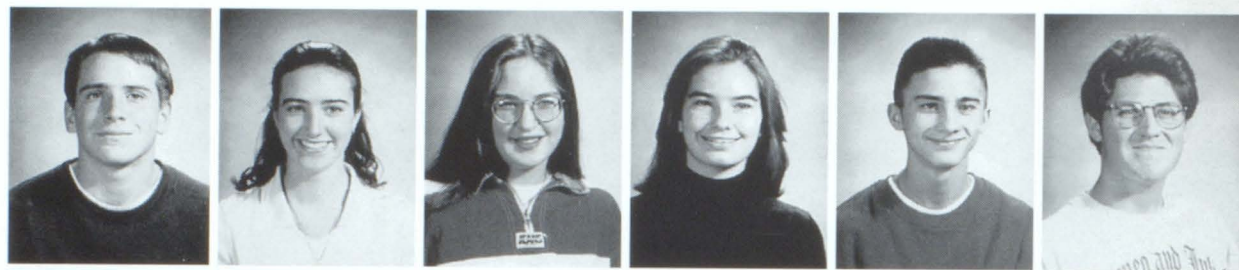
WHO IS YOUR ROLE MODEL?

1. SPORTS FIGURE
2. PARENTS
3. MUSICIANS
4. ACTORS
5. TEACHERS

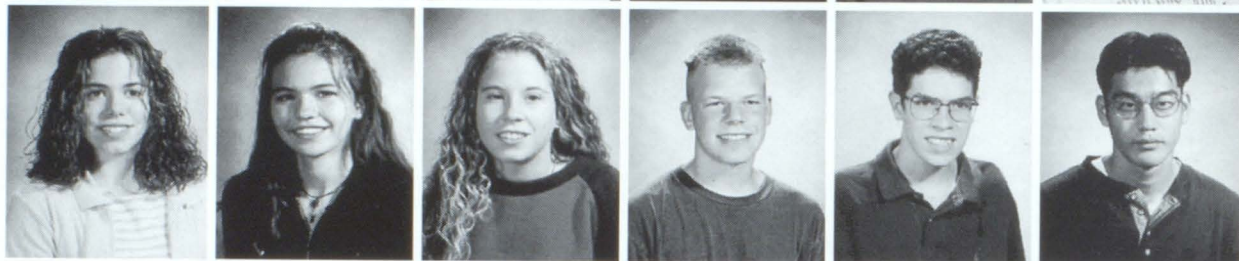
WHAT KINDS OF QUALITIES DOES YOUR ROLE MODEL HAVE?

1. TALENT
2. HONESTY
3. TRUST
4. INTELLIGENCE
5. IDENTITY

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Michelle Drabant
Sarah Drake
Jim Dubrul
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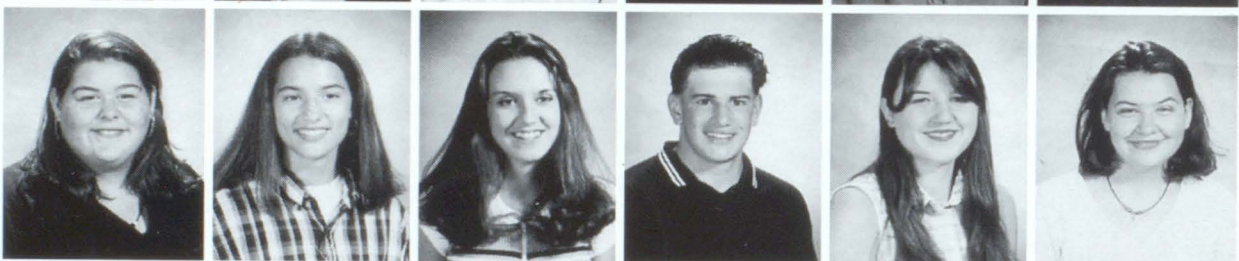
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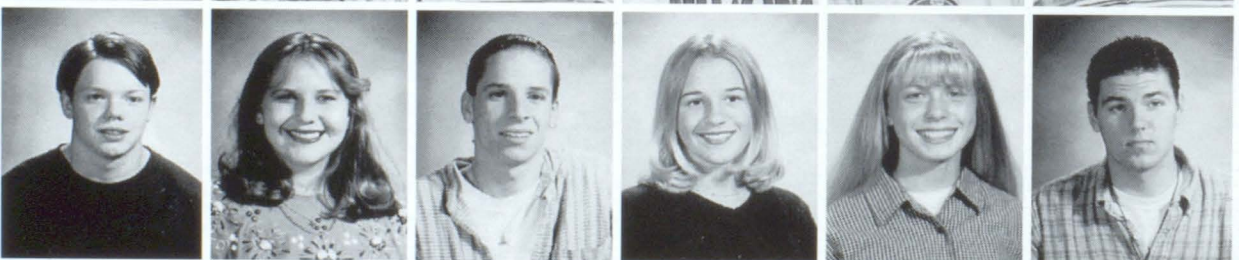
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Richard Grant
Ed Green



Randall Green
Sherry Grissom
Mike Guillou
Samantha Hallman
Sandra Harrington
Adam Henderson



Victoria Hill
Elaine Holmes
Jackie Hoover
Jaimie Hoover
Jon Jackel
Evan Jarvi



COUNT EM UP... Sophomore Student Council members Tara Nixon, Jodie Mackie, Renee Woolcock and Heather Durkee count dress up points.

HOLLYWOOD... Getting into the swing of things, sophomores walk with their float during the Homecoming parade.

VICTORY... Let us hear your battle cry. The enthusiastic class of '99 competes for spirit week points.



Involvement rocks

Another year of long classes, cafeteria food and school work has passed. Along with it the basketball games, Spirit week and Student Council are one of the things that make high school bearable. Being involved makes it more than just six dull classes and a short lunch. "I love the football games. The adrenaline rush from cheering and screaming with the crowd is so great," said Melody Love.

The best time to get involved is Spirit week. From dress-up days to the Homecoming parade and game, people enjoy all of the fun activities. Even the float meetings and the not-so-secret attacks from the seniors armed with the ever popular shaving cream. Just by wearing your bunny slippers on pajama day you are getting involved and showing your spirit. "I like Spirit week because it is the one week out of the year you can act goofy and crazy and not be criticized for it," said Becki Besaw. Being involved is also making the activities happen. Student Council representatives are probably the most involved. The Student Council works hard to make the school year a lot of fun for all the students. They plan assemblies, dances and the fundraisers to pay for it all.

Being involved is about school spirit and having fun. The pep assemblies, football games and dances are some examples of school activities that make high school memorable and the class of '99 has already done just that. There's more to come in the next few years.

Sophomore Student Council...
front row: Amy Sampson, Mike Bristol, Stephanie Goral back row: Elaine Holmes, Erin Rickard, Nicole DuVemay, Jodi Mackie

James Kandler
Dave Kavanaugh
Andrea Kazor
Andrew King
Samantha Kish
Nikole Klein



Michelle Konkel
Steve LaParl
Stephanie Lapham
Robert Lawrence
Paula LeDuc
Christine Levitt



Pat Long
Melody Love
Tim Love
Jodie Mackie
Shawn Martin
Jason Maul



Life In The Fast Lane

Driving has always been looked upon as a huge responsibility. As you become sixteen this becomes more and more true. Many beginning drivers feel that driving is going to be so cool and they can do whatever they want. For the most part it is, but some say it's not at all what they expected. "I think driving is a fun and new experience, this gives you a chance to go wherever you want, with a few boundaries at first," said Justine Chontos.

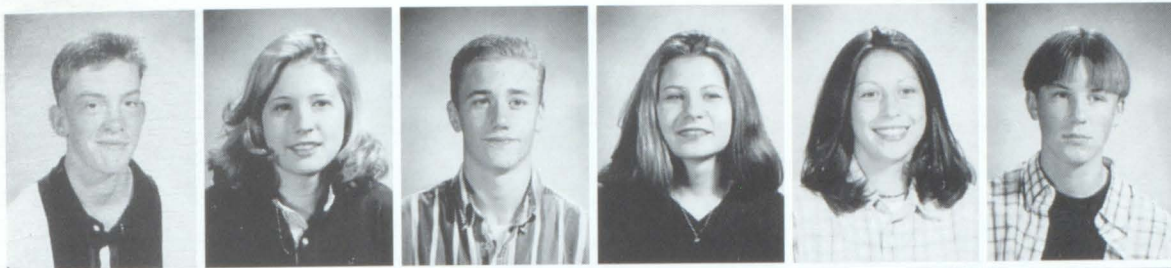
Before you get your license there is a little class you must take and pass, drivers training. This takes three weeks and supposedly teaches you everything about driving a car. "I thought drivers training was a waste of time because I needed a lot more driving experience," said Samantha Hallman.

Along with a car comes many decisions from what kind of car to what kind of gas you put in your car. Overall driving is a good experience for most people. Along with the responsibilities and decisions your car demands, fun and good times also come with the package.

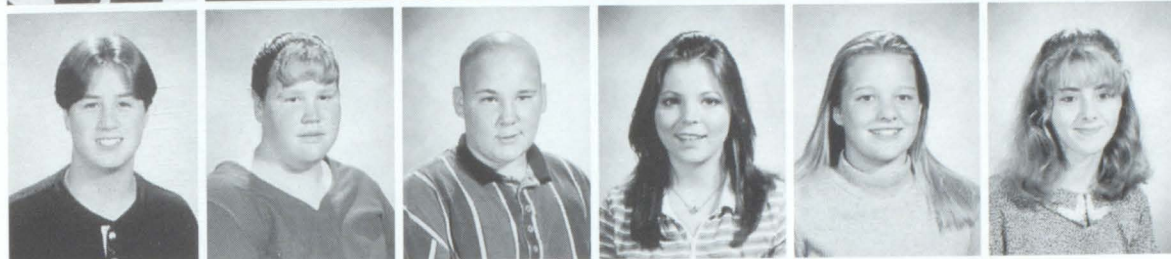


GRIPPING ON FOR LIFE...Annie Rockwood sits passenger as Stacie Parsons drives her car.

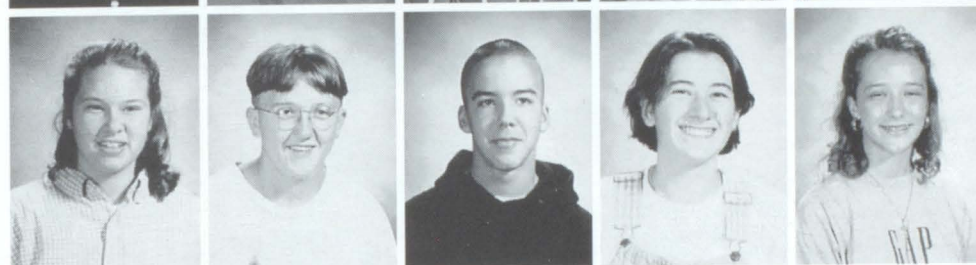




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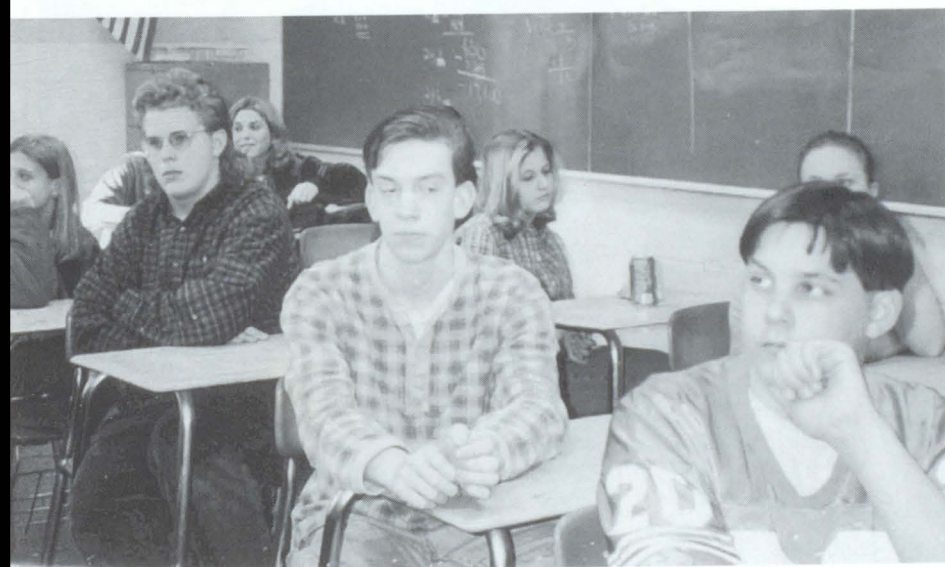


Dave Minter
Bethann Monzo
Mike Myres
Jennifer Newburg
Tara Nixon
Bobbie Sue Orchard



Christy Owens
Paul Owens
James Paad
Nichole Parsell
Stacie Parsons

IN DRIVERS EDUCATION CLASS...Students pay close attention to Mr.Shock's lesson for the day.



BUMMING A RIDE...Jessica Houf and Sarah Keller have to catch a ride until they are sixteen.

POSING FOR A QUICK SHOT...Mr. Lenore and Mike Abel get ready to take on the open road in drivers ed.

ITS ALL ABOUT US

Many activities that students do inside and outside of school. Woodshop, drafting, art, newspaper, yearbook, others just enjoy hanging out with their friends as a hobby. "Cheerleading is one of my favorite hobbies because you make new friends and we get into the games for free," said Amanda Puranen.

Many people have different ways to show their talents. One of Cathy Piotrowski's talents is running. She took First place at regionals. Cathy said, "I feel happy, privileged and kind of scared. I'm not quite sure how I'll improve throughout my next two years."

People can tell how someone is through their personalities. They can show them through actions, words, art, humor, writing, ect.. Art is a perfect example of this opportunity for creative talent. With only the imagination and talent as guidelines, students can create a number of things.

Sophomore Lynette Falkiewicz said, "I love going to Art class because its not like a regular class. We never have homework , the work that we do is drawing and that is one of my favorite things to do. My art class lets me use creative ideas that my other classes don't. A person's feelings can be spilled out all over just one piece of art work no matter what or how simple it is.

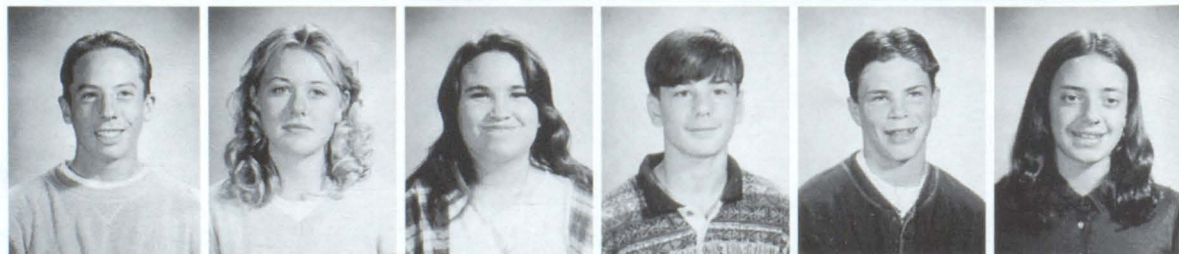
**SPEECH
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Mary Wale brought in her
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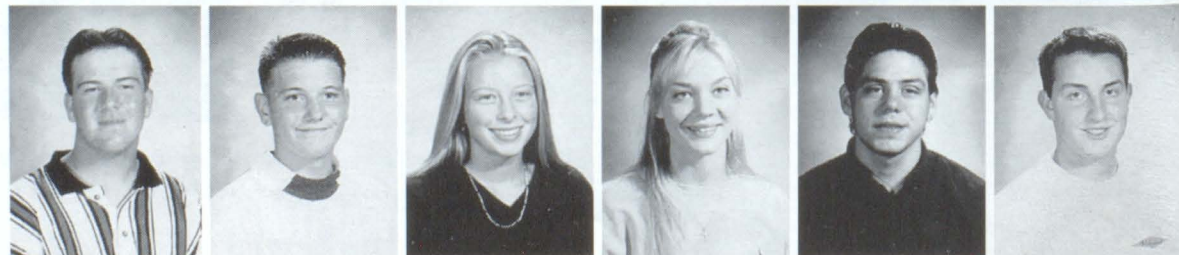
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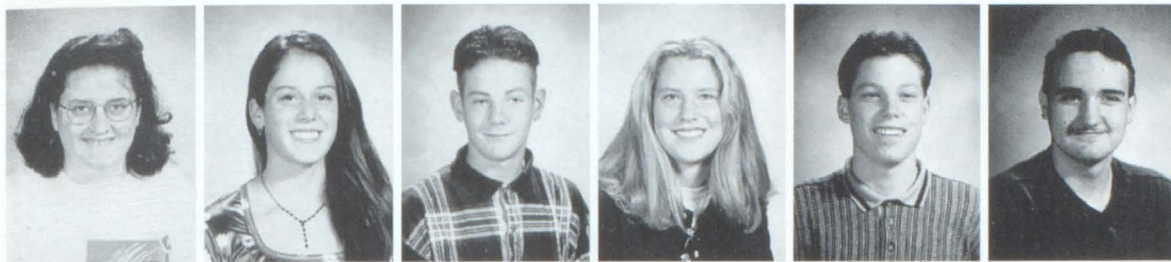


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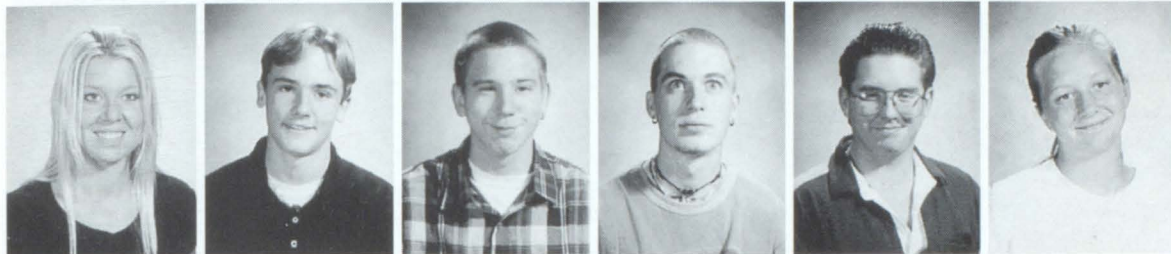


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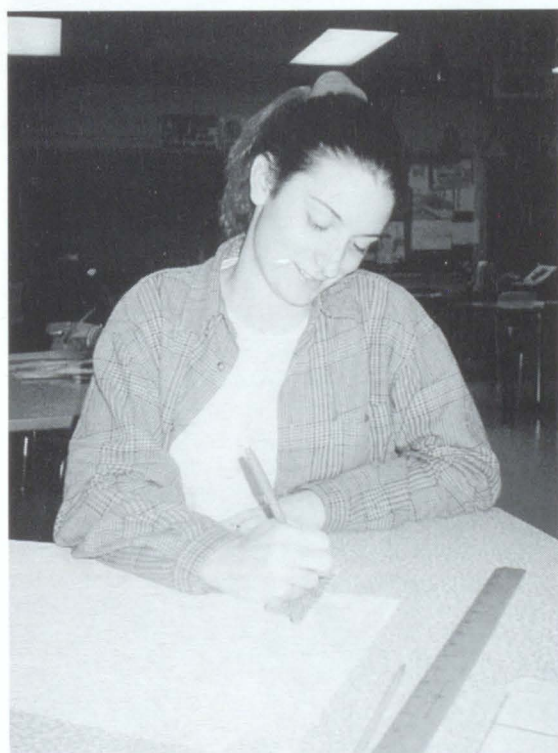
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Allen Schroeder
Mike Sears



Sherry Seczawa
Zachary Sharrow
Dave Smith
Evan Smith
Nathan Smith
Tammy Smith



Stacie Snizek
Kimberly Sobanski
Brooke Spencer
Jason Sramek
Chris Stafford



FINISHING TOUCHES... Putting her skills to work, Megan Bosman adds the finishing touches to make her art project perfect.



VISUAL AIDS... Erin Rickard uses her cousin for a visual aid speech.



HARD WORK... pays off for Chantelle Gendron as she receives an academic award.



FREE TIME... Jeremy Charbeneau spends a lot of his extra time riding his bike.

In the spot light

Exciting new music and dances brings a new focus to every year. One job for student council members is to organize dances. Chantelle Gendron said: "For a dance we have to hire a DJ, decide on a theme and what's going to go on at the dance then advertise the dance. We set everything up and have a lot of fun."

Students have a lot of fun going to the dances for something to do on a Friday night. Morgan Bell said: "I think it's fun to go to dances and gets you into a good mood."

Going to school dances shows your school spirit and helps support our school functions. Samantha Hallman said: "I like to go to school dances to be sociable, dance, and to be with my friends."

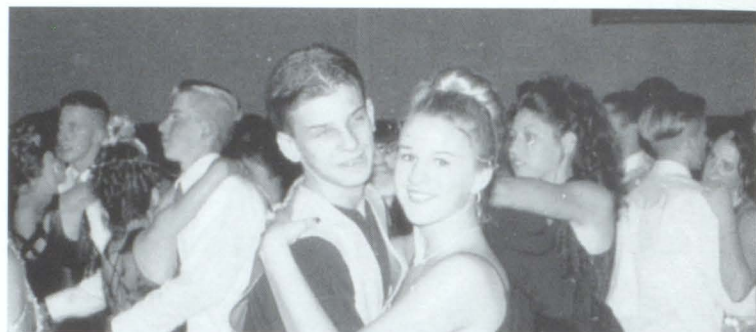
Students like listening to the many varieties of music including Heavy Metal, Alternative, Techno and many more. Amanda Puranan said: "dance music because it gets you into the mood to groove."

Music is very popular among the students listening to it at parties, in their cars, and sometimes at school. Students enjoy listening to music for many different reasons including to relax, being bored, and while doing home work. Andy Boyd said: "Heavy Metal because it can relax me or make me hyper."

Music is also important for many students in their course of study. Band remains a popular elective with students, while Chorus membership continues to grow each year. Some students expand their involvement with one of the music groups into individual bands. "I think chorus is fun because we get to go on trips and compete in competition. I also like to sing and it's the only thing I am good at," said Mellissa Versyer.

HOMECOMING... Samantha Hallman, and Mike Bristol enjoying the evening together.

AT HOMECOMING... Lynette Falkiewicz, Kim Arneil, Justine Chontos, Rene Davey, and Tina Sykes get together for a picture.



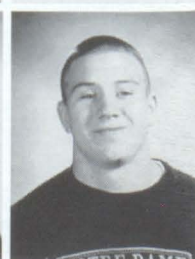
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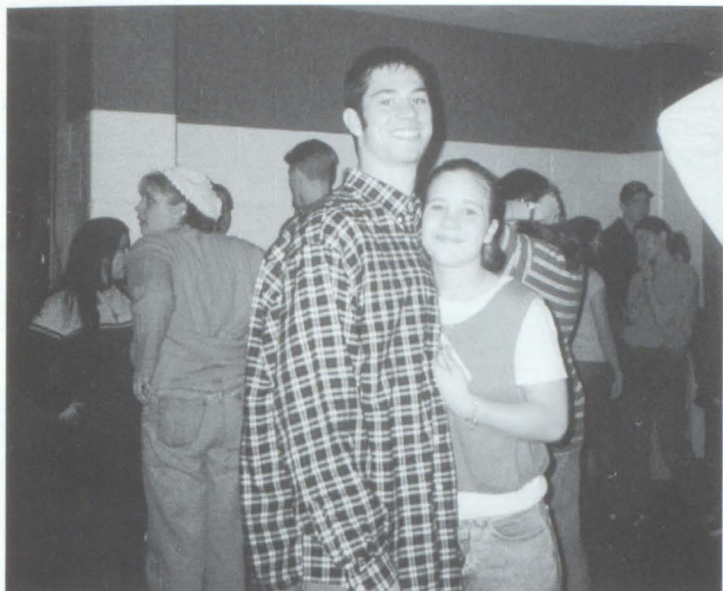


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Jerry Thome
Aricka Tuttle
Melanie Upleger
Mellisa Versyer
Michael Vigneron



Rachel Vinson
Stephen Vogler
Ryan Vohs
Stacy Wagner
Mary Wale
Noah Weiss





DANCING... Ed Green and his date at the winter sport dance enjoy the evening.

GETTING READY... Noah Weiss and Ben Coomer hanging out before the dance.

SEMI FORMAL... Morgan Bell enjoyed the homecoming dance.



Popular Music....

1. Bone
2. Rage
3. Metallica
4. Tu Pac
5. Beastie Boys

Types of music...

1. alternative
2. rap/ hip hop



Alicia Wenz
Joe Werner
Candi Wilson
Jessica Wonsowicz
Jeremy Woolcock
Christine Worswick



Chris Zamborowski
Teresa Zelenock
Mike Ziegler
Jessica Zoss

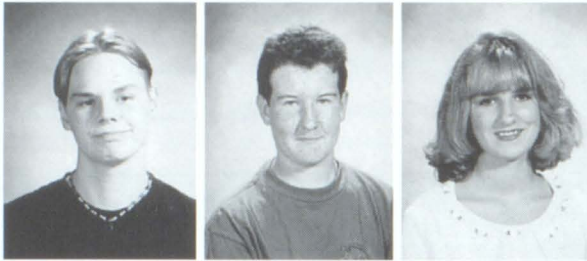
Friendly class of 2000

This turn of the century class is a rather friendly group. The freshman have been blending in with all the sophomores, juniors, and seniors. Every one of them had survived spirit week and is well on their way to making it to their sophomore year.

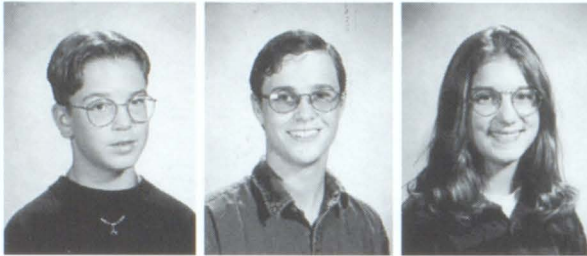
A lot of freshman spend a lot of time at school and in sports. They really can't seem to get around to well since they can't drive. Most of them spend a lot of time hanging out at home, like Jennifer Horvath, who said she likes to "call guy's, watch T.V., listen to the radio, and go shopping". Some people get the chance to hang out at other places or like Sara Claerhout who said she likes to "go to the mall, movies and go rollerskating.

Being in high school gives you that chance to make a friend who drives, so then as a freshman you can get around without a license.

Mike Abel
Josh Austin
Jessica Bachmann



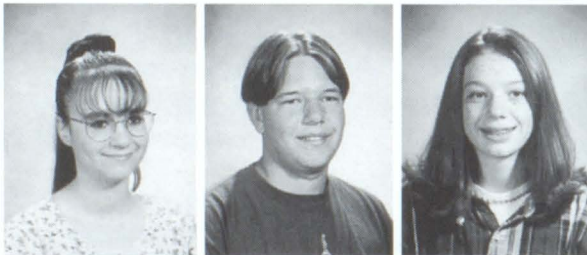
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Jessica Bark



Joe Barnes
Jessica Baumgartner
Nicole Behanna



Carrie Belemonti
Ted Berger
Angela Birch



Charles Bird
David Bishop
Ken Bleau



Jacqueline Bolia
Dave Borg
Krystal Brisse



LUNCH TIME... Friends gather around at the table to gossip and eat every day at lunch.

SHOWING OFF... Football buddies Clarence Ziehmer, Ted Berger and Scott Stay walk with their class to show of their hard work on the float.

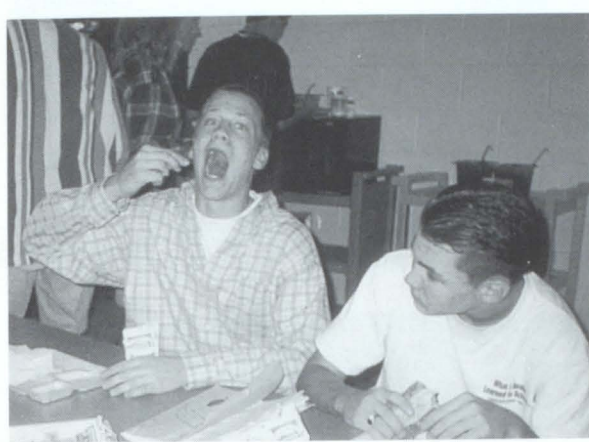


CRAZY GUY... Lunch is a perfect opportunity for those crazy moments as Mike Gohl shows a little more than his friends want to see.

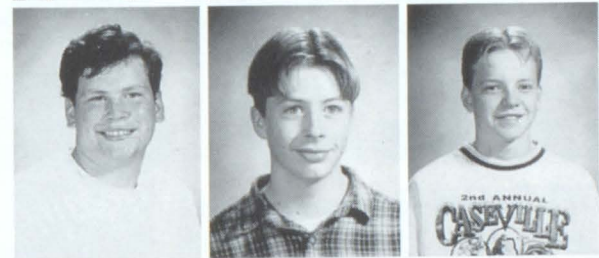
JOINING THE... Muskrat family, the class of 2000 participates in a September pep assembly.



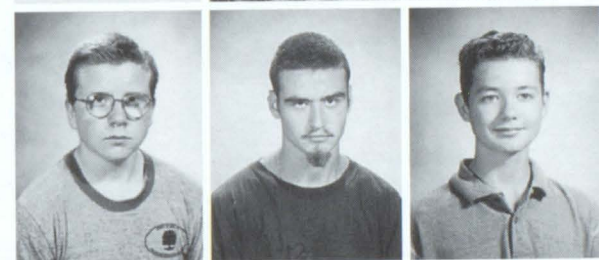
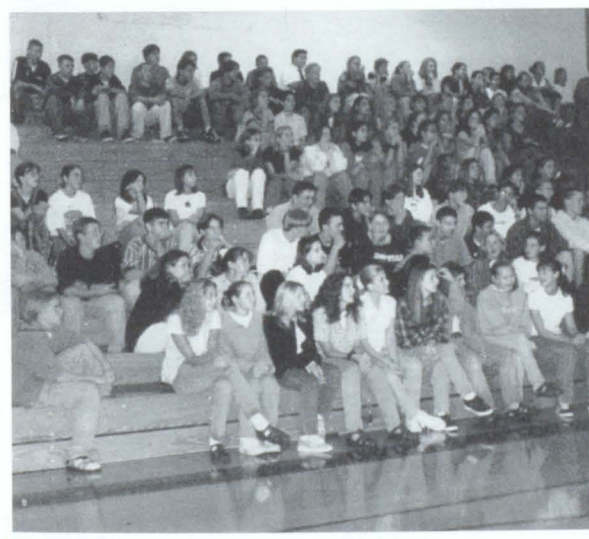
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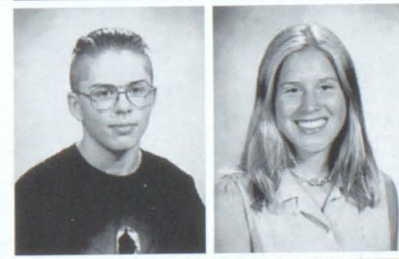
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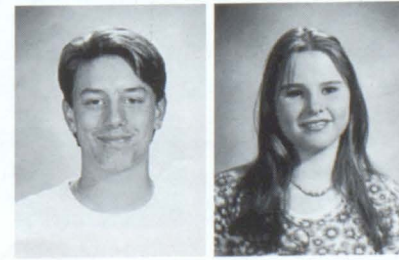
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Sara Claerhout
Cheryl Claeys
Tracie Cole



Jes Coleman
Sarah Cooper



Steven Coulter
Sarah Craft

PLANNING GROUP PROJECTS... Vicki Wale, Shannon Kaczperski, Kristy Nasiatka, Kira Richardson, and Ray Ladochi plan a group presentation in Comm 1.

Time to kill...

Some freshmen come up into high school and join a club or sport. They take a lot of responsibility upon their extra curricular activities. They must make every practice or meeting. Sometimes if they are successful in their sport or club they may earn a varsity letter.

Rick Bushor said, "I like to play hockey, and go to concerts."

Krystal Brisse said, "I play basketball as my extra curricular activity."

The freshmen class, class of 2000 is a well involved class when it comes time to be involved. "I think our class gets involved a lot," said Justine Raymond.

If it weren't for all of these freshmen who get involved, our school would not be so successful. They play a big part of our school.

GO FOR IT... Jackie Bolia and Janelle Rochon participate in cheerleading as an extra activity.

HOMECOMING... provides an excellent opportunity to be spirited for Robert Starr, Paul Meldrum, Carmen Goerlich and Liz Prior.



WHAT DO YOU DO IN YOUR SPARE TIME?

1. Go to the movies
2. Go to the mall
3. Go to the bowling alley
4. Just hang out
5. Play a sport

Adrian Daogaru
Jennifer Darrah
Peter Davey
Lori De John
Melissa De Long
Andy DeSot



Matt De Vries
Hope Dunlap
Tabetha Durant
Heather Durkee
Danielle Eder
James Elliot



Brandy Emerich
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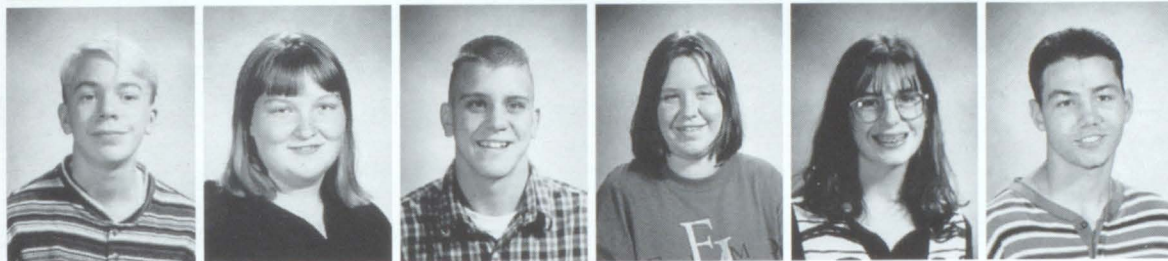




Jessica Gibson
Donna Gillespie
Dorothy Glaze
Carmen Goerlich
Michael Gohl
Tim Grace



Jennifer Green
Gary Haack
Melissa Haas
Emily Hall
Justin Hall
Lisa Hall



Adam Hallman
Elizabeth Hampe
William Harrington
Erin Hartley
Brandalynn Hathaway
John Henderson



SIGNS OF THE SEASON... Christmas came to the Commons area as Krystal Brisse helped to decorate the tree.

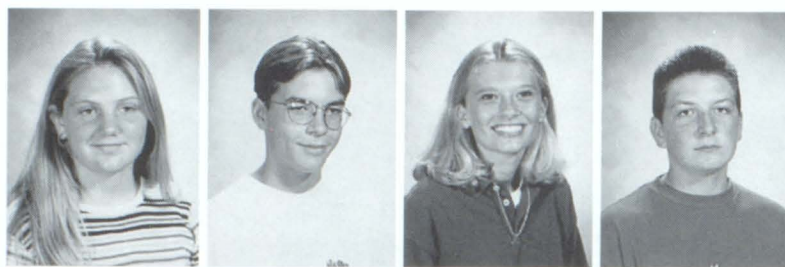


READY FOR DISPLAY... After weeks of preparation, the float is finally ready for Liz Prior, Scott Stay, Sarah Prudhomme, Shane Trempler, Danielle Eder, Amy Hutchins, Heather Durkee, and Paul Meldrum.

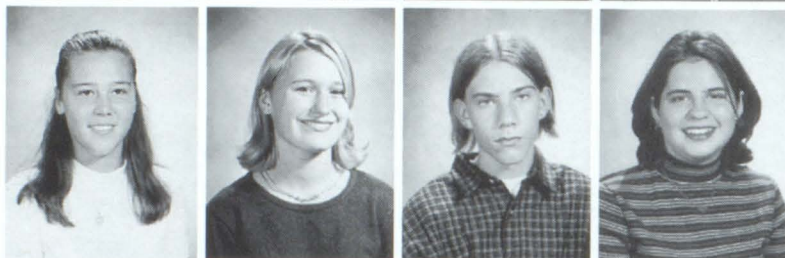


STUDENT COUNCIL... Heather Durkee, Sarah Prudhomme, Danielle Eder, Jennifer Green, Melanie Zambrowski, Sandy Pauwels, Amy Hutchins, and Sarah Cooper.

Melissa Henson
Roy Heron
Jocie Higgins
Charles Hines



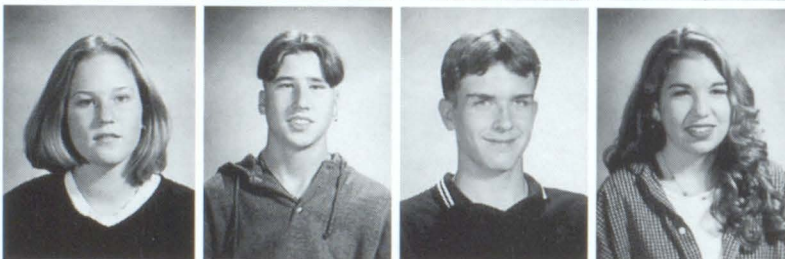
Jennifer Horvath
Amy Hutchins
Brad Johnson
Melissa Johnson



Kellie Jones
Joe Jones
Joe Justin
Brianna Kaletto



Jillian Kaminski
Robert Klekamp
Tom Koehler
Kristen Krawczyk



A fashion statement...

There are many styles here for Freshman. These range from a Ralph Lauren Polo shirt to a mail man coat from the salvation army. Many of the fashions may be influenced by friends or upperclassmen.

One of the favorite places for Freshmen to shop is Lakeside Mall. Some favorite stores include: Abercrombie & Fitch, Eddie Bauer, Contempo Casuals, and Gap. Clothes are a main priority in a Freshman's social life. Danielle Eder said, "I wear mostly Abercrombie & Fitch, and Gap clothes because it expresses who I am."

Some people do not care for a certain style of clothing to wear. Others wear the same bundle of clothes on their bedroom floor every other day.

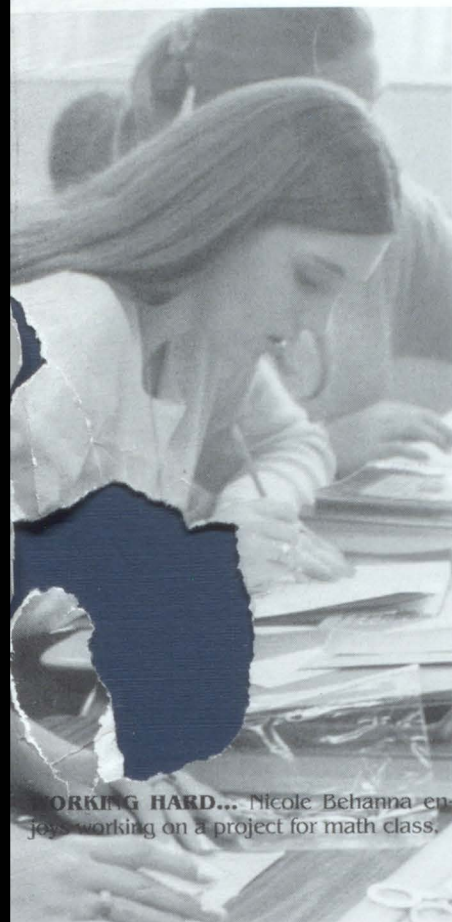
WHERE DO YOU GET MOST OF YOUR CLOTHES FROM?

TOP FIVE CHOICES...

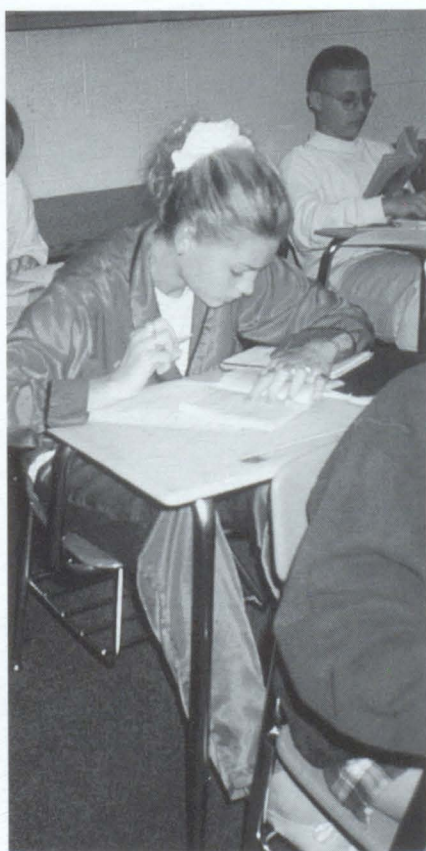
1. Abercrombie & Fitch
2. Aeropostale
3. The Gap
4. Kmart
5. Eddie Bauer



STAYING IN STYLE.. Sara Lucas shows off her boxer shorts. Boxer shorts are the latest fashion as shown.



WORKING HARD... Nicole Behanna enjoys working on a project for math class.



SHOWING SCHOOL SPIRIT... Kristen Schrader is dressed in a set of pink P.J.'s for Spirit Week.

A KODAK MOMENT... Mrs. Cheryl Schamweber, Jessica Baumgartner, Angela Birch, and Justine Raymond pause for a fashion statement.



KNOWING HE'S IN STYLE... Shane Trempler knows he has class while wearing his plaid shirt.



Crystal Kuecken
Joe Krum
Ray Ladochi
Brad Lamparski

Ashley Langdon
Brooke Langdon
Mary Lapich
Amber Letoumeau

Carl Lovett
Sara Lucas
Jami Mannina
Erika Martin

Nicholas Matzka
Mike Mastej
Danielle Mayle
Brian McCullough

Baird McComas
Matt McDonald
Carolyn McLennan
Kevin Meldrum

Paul Meldrum
Jennifer Meyer
Scott Morningstar
Matt Moroschan
Adora Morris
Joy Morris



Meggen Morrow
Joe Muckenthaler
Danielle Murray
Laura Myny
Mark Myres
Kristy Nasiatka



Tera Nasir
Richard Nowak
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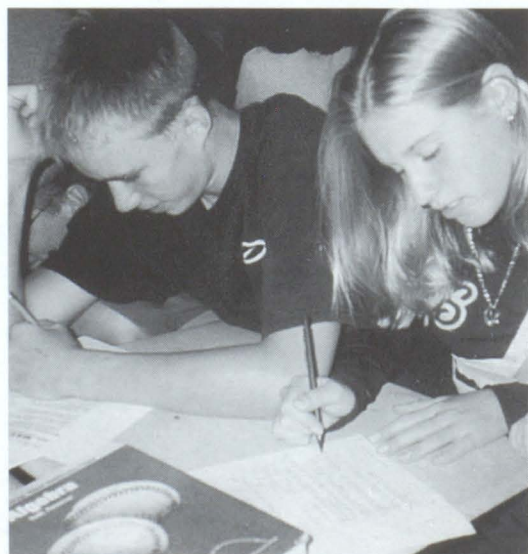
Sarah Prudhomme
Ben Rauch
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Jeff Rayner
Kira Richardson



LAST MINUTE... Shane Trempler and Sarah Cooper work diligently together to finish their assignment in Algebra.



LET'S GET IT DONE... Jocie Higgins works with her classmates using markers, glue and posterboard to create a map of Zaroff's Island in Comm I for the book, The Most Dangerous Game.



All About Academics

When the word academics comes to mind, students might think of homework, pens, paper and books. For Freshmen, it is more than taking notes and answering questions. It's also going to the library to do group projects, having class discussions and doing bookreports for Comm I.

Academics prepare Freshmen for the classes they have to take in future years in high school. Besides Comm I, some of the classes required for Freshmen to take are Civics and the Science Rotation. Science Rotation allows students to learn different curriculum from six different teachers.

Ms. Kathleen Mellon, who teaches 9th grade Civics said, "I feel that freshmen should be required to take basic classes such as Civics and Comm I because they build a basic foundation for the students in future years in high school."

"I guess homework is something that has to be done. If you don't do it, you'll probably get bad grades."

Lisa Hall

THE MOST DANGEROUS GAME. . .

Kevin Baker works alone in Comm I to finish his project of Zaroff's Island, which is the setting for The Most Dangerous Game.



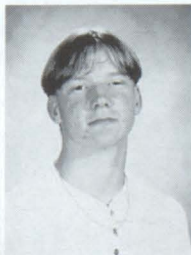
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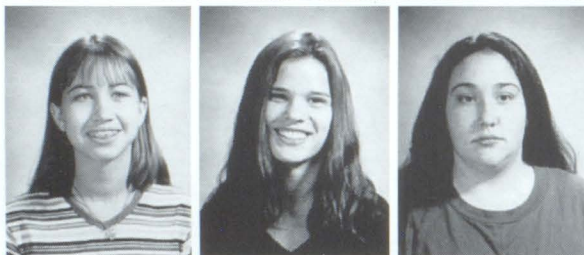
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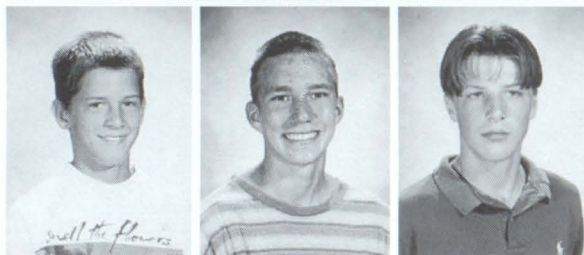
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Justin Trafford
Shane Trempler
Joe Treppa



John Varndell
Stephanie
Wagenhals
Vicki Wale



Brian Walczak
Greg Walczak
Tim Walters



UNDER THE DRILL PRESS... Paul Meldrum uses his shop time to release some unwanted tension.



We have spirit

Every year, upcoming freshman are faced with changing lifestyles and many new decisions to make in entering high school. One of the most important changes 9th graders face is finding it in themselves to rise up and let their presence be known. Showing school spirit is a vital part of all school activities and sporting events throughout their four years of high school.

Paul Meldrum said: "Showing school spirit was great this year, especially during the senior raids. It gave me a chance to get a little out of hand and show my crazy side without getting in trouble."

Freshman also have the opportunity to attend many sporting events to cheer on their school. With more events to attend like spirit week or assemblies, freshman may seem a bit overwhelmed at first. Freshman student council president Danielle Eder said "I feel that more students should attend more school events because it gives them a chance to get involved and become more active."

Whether it be dressing up in your pajamas to earn class points or just attending a home basketball game, freshman prove themselves to be a well spirited group.



JOINING IN THE...festivities for the first time, the class of 2000 take time out to pose proudly in front of their float.

RACING TOWARDS THE...finish line, Dory Glaze tries to gain class points in the scooter race.



Jason Wassel
Tom Weatherdon
Keith Welch



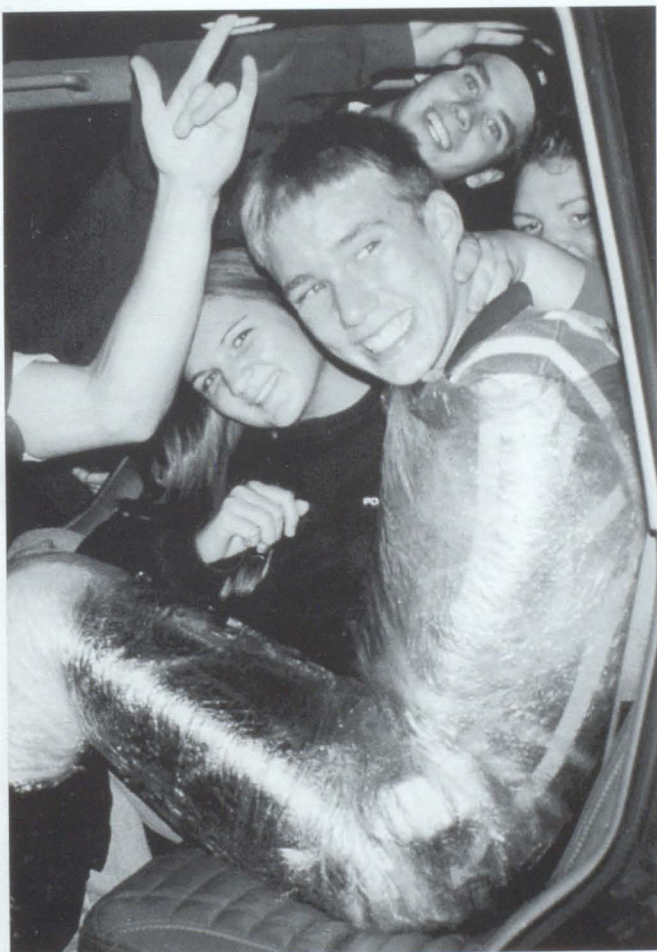
Stuart Wenz
Darrell West
Jessica Williams



Dennis Wright
Cristen Wrobel
Melanie Zamborowski



Michael Zamesnik
Clarence Ziehmer
Richard Zryd



PRETTY TIED UP...Shane Trempler enjoys the comfort of Saran Wrap at an October float raid by the junior class.

DURING THE OCTOBER... pep assembly, Dave Bishop proves he is no make-up artist as he decorates the face of Brandalynn Hathaway.

BEING INVOLVED. . .Scott Stay and Kristin Schrader work together to finish a school project.



Quality school focus

Administration is continuing to build a quality school by taking measures to improve the surroundings and the learning at A.H.S. "There have been a number of changes and improvements this year" said, Dr. Dennis Guiser.

We continue to use the Time Out method. Mr. Thomas Baldwin said, "The responsibility training Time Out system works well. This system has decreased some of the problems with trouble students."

The parent student handbooks have also proved to be a big help. "The parents and teachers find it interesting to see how often students want passes and where they go," replies Mr. Baldwin. These handbooks contain: the school rules, maps, periodic table, space to write down homework, and other useful information.

Mr. Richard Hunington joined the staff in January. He originally came on a short term basis while the district looked for a permanent assistant principal. However he decided to stay for the year. He feels that, "AHS is a fairly normal school and I see a lot of hidden talent." He also believes that, "The key to success lies in reading and writing."

Dr. Dennis Guiser thought, "There were many improvements in the students attitudes regarding the HSPT." A writing day has taken place in every class to help provide students with more writing experiences.

Mr. Baldwin looks at changes in the building including more flexible scheduling, adding additional technology, and more students taking advantage of the dual enrollment. Mr. Baldwin hopes to see some scheduling changes in our approach with freshmen.

IMPROVEMENTS.... Mrs. Maryann Drob, Mr. Lee Bristol, and Mr. Andrew Goulet, review the agenda prior to the January board meeting.



BOARD OF EDUCATION: Front Row: Mrs. Sharon Stiltner, Secretary, Dr. Dennis Guiser, Superintendent, Mrs. Mary Ann Drob President. Back Row: Mr. Bud Hulewicz, Trustee, Mr. Paul Dennis, Vice President, Mr. Andy Goulet, Trustee, Mr. Edward Stanislaw, Trustee, Mr. Lee Bristol, Treasurer

THE FEW, THE ONLY.... John Basehore, Todd Worley, and Anna Liisa Blanck receive an award for being the only ones to pass all sections of the H.S.P.T on the first try.



Dr. Dennis Guiser
Superintendent



Mr. William Foster
Assistant Superintendent



Mrs. Sandra Weir
Director of Business



Mr. Thomas Baldwin
Principal



Mr. Richard Huntington
Assistant Principal



CENTRAL OFFICE STAFF.... Mrs. Mary Schoeninger, Mrs. Mary Shiloff, Mrs. Rose Hartwell, Mrs. Nancy Jeannette, Mrs. Irene Pearl, and Mrs. Linda Minter.



HARD WORK PAYS OFF.... Dr. Dennis Guiser awards Susie Peterson and the rest of the cross country team for the great season.



CONCENTRATION.... Mr. William Foster concentrates on curriculum paperwork prior to a curriculum council meeting.

HELLO?...Being an office secretary keeps you busy. Mrs. Pat Collins works on her computer while answering phones.

Busy In the Office

Hectic is one word to describe the office and its activities. Mrs. Pat Webster, Mrs. Pat Collins, and Mrs. Linda Hurst take care of most situations in the office. It is very important to maintain organization here.

Mrs. Linda Hurst is probably best known for the daily announcements and driver's ed. However, that is only a small part of her job. She is Mr. Baldwin's secretary and works with scheduling. Mrs. Pat Webster and Mrs. Pat Collins, the main office secretaries, take care of the phone calls, attendance, and all of the other busy occurrences in the office.

Meetings for the Parent Advisory Board are held in the Counseling Center. Member Mrs. Barbara Altman said, "The main goals is to work with teachers and administration to make the high school experiences more enjoyable and beneficial for the students."

Mrs. Diane Licari and Mr. Sam Dobbs are hall monitors. Mr. Dobbs monitors the parking lot while Mrs. Licari tends to the locker rooms.

Providing special help for students is what Mrs. Mary Ann May and Mrs. Cathy Wenz do. They hold a special place in many students lives. As you can imagine, it takes many important people for this school to run smoothly. With secretaries and Parent Advisory helping out all of the time, our school is at it's best.



A BIG HELP...Mrs. Cathy Wenz serves a very important purpose to our school by being working with the teachers as a para professional. Here she works on part of her daily routine.

NEVER ENDING DAYS...There is never a dull moment in the office, this is evident as Mrs. Pat Webster completes paperwork.

CAN WE TALK?...Lisa Prayter stops for a minute and has a conversation with Mrs. Linda Hurst.

Mrs. Patrice Collins

Mrs. Linda Hurst

Mrs. Diane Licari

Mrs. Patricia Webster



PARENT ADVISORY:Front Row: Mrs. Barbara Altman, Mrs. Lois Sutton, Mrs. Susan Fullington Back Row: Mr. Thomas Baldwin, Mrs. Jill Hutchins, Mrs. Becky Roush, and Mr. Ron Rappaport



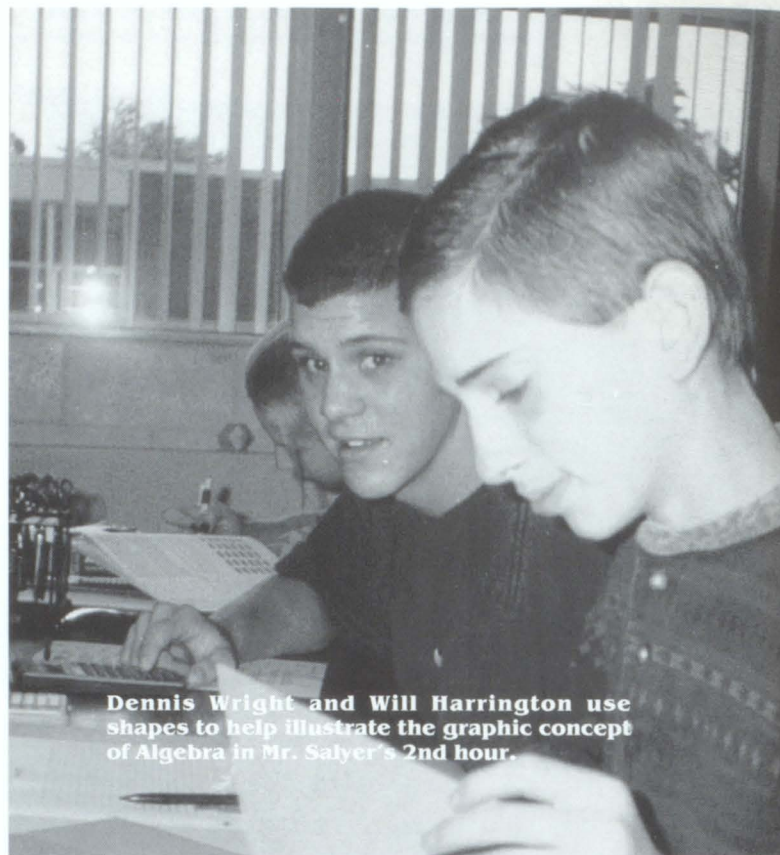
KING AND QUEEN...During the Homecoming pep assembly, Mr. Sam Dobbs and Mrs. Diane Licari were chosen as the teachers Homecoming King and Queen.

Varying techniques...

There are many different ways of teaching. The techniques that teachers display are very different than others. One method of teaching grammar is through mug shots. Mr. James Holmes believes that this is one of many ways to teach grammar. Mug shots are a sentence or a few sentences containing spelling, comma, and other various grammatic errors. Every day class is started with one of these. For correcting the errors, students are given extra credit points.

Ms Anita Shagena, coordinates close up week. She not only organizes fundraisers, but she also supervises the students at Washington D.C. The students visit many of the monuments take tours, and visit the White House. This year she was given the special opportunity to take students to hear President Clinton's Foreign policy address at the Fisher Theater. Another method is, she assigns a particular day and calls it a reading day. Every Friday is a news article day to insure that her students know what is happening in the world today.

Mr. Jesse Sabo has many experiments to introduce various chemicals and their reactions. This year he taught the class by making peanut brittle.



Dennis Wright and Will Harrington use shapes to help illustrate the graphic concept of Algebra in Mr. Salyer's 2nd hour.



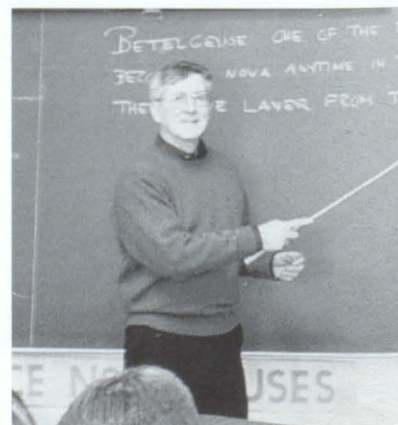
COMPUTER CHALLENGES... Vicki Boyll and Chantelle Gendron work with Ms. Marsha Lichvar to understand the program in Computer Software.

EXAM DAYS... provide a change of pace for teachers and students. Mr. Lou Rameau and Mrs. Mary Gabler visit with Hattie Jackson and Boo Jackson who spent the day here.

ARTISTIC EXPERIENCE is key to the art department. Mr. Greg Jones works with Renee Bauer creating a video for the incoming freshmen about the opportunities in the art department.



EXTRA HELP... Reyne Modestino meets with Mr. Terry Maki to get extra help in Math.



MUG SHOTS... Lisa Prayter works with Mr. Jim Holmes on the correct punctuation of today's sentence.



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English Lit, Comm I, Comm IV
Mrs. Carol Bokhari
French I, II, III, IV
Mrs. Amy Click
Spanish I, II



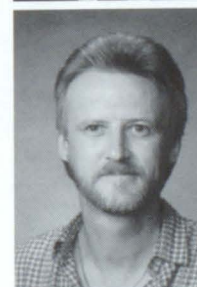
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Special Services
Mrs. Debra Fenton
Earth Science, 9th Science,
10th Science
Mrs. Mary Gabler
Special Services



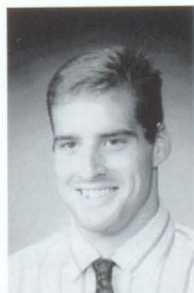
Mr. Dan Gilbertson
Geography, Social Studies, JV
Football
Mr. Greg Godfrey
World History, US History
Mr. Rod Greenwood
Psychology, Sociology, 9th
Basketball



Mr. James Holmes
College Comp, Time Out
Mrs. Mary Jackson
Office Practice, Intro to
Business, School to Work, Time
Out
Mrs. Paula Johnson
Counseling, Tennis, Student
Council



Mr. Greg Jones
Commercial Design, Drawing &
Painting
Ms. Karen Jones
Comp. Programming,
Geometry, Time Out
Mrs. Lori Katlein
Counseling, Track



Mr. Dave Kochan
Health, Adv. PE, Football,
Wrestling
Ms. Marsha Lichvar
Accounting, College Bound
Keyboarding, Computer
Software
Mr. Terry Maki
Geometry, Transition Math
Mrs. Ruth Mavis
US History, Remembrance

MEDIEVAL TIMES... Katy Weichel learns how to make stained glass in Mrs. Sandra Bade's class as a follow up project to their study.

RAP... Brandi Henneman, Monica Meldrum, Lorrie Roush, Christina Mahac, Leah Cooper, Shannon Wilson, and Cory Sutton perform a "comma rap."

Forming bonds

Students find there is more that books, work, and pressure to school. They see it as a place to grow, mature, and form friendships. Friendships not only with other students, but with the teachers as well.

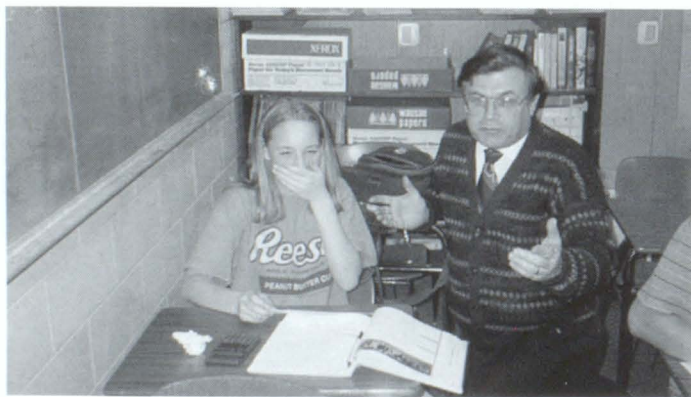
"I like my teachers. I think it is more fun learning when you are being taught by someone who you know likes you, and you like them back," said sophomore Sarah Keller.

"Being friends with the teachers makes this whole education process a lot easier. It also helps you accomplish more and gives you more memories to hold on to," said senior Lauren Petre.

"When teachers and students form a friendship, the student is more likely to do what he or she is told and cooperate with the teacher a lot easier," said Mr. Dan Salyer.

"I have made friends with most of my teachers, and I will remember them just as much as I am going to remember the students I have made friends with here during these four fun filled years," said senior Nichole Houf.

SOLVING THOSE MATH PROBLEMS... can be frustrating as Mr. Lou Rochon and Lindsey Erdmann illustrate.



PROJECTS... help illustrate the story concepts. Mrs. Cheryl Schamweber explains details to Justine Raymond

HISTORY CLASS INVOLVES... finding details. Mr. Greg Godfrey helps Jamie Hoover find the latest answer.

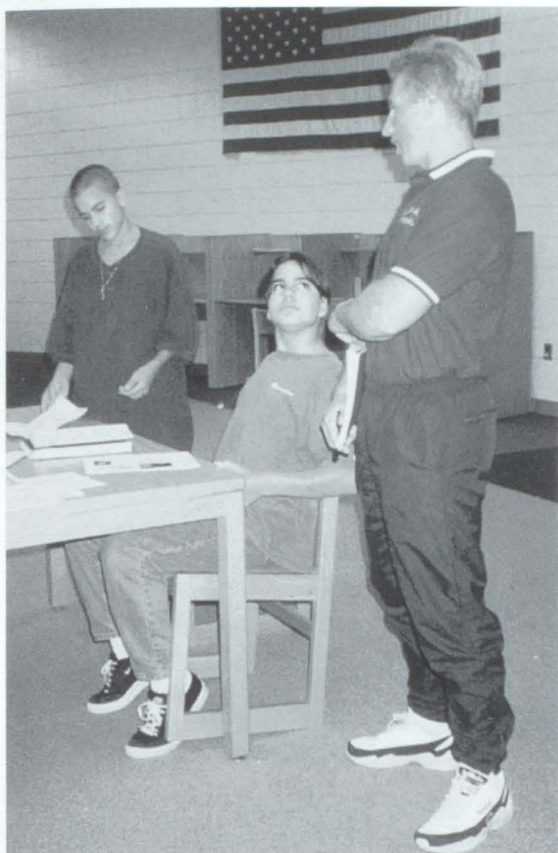


THE MEDIA CENTER... helps students with research. Ms. Kathy Nist and Tina Garrido update the files.



BETWEEN CLASSES... Teachers have an opportunity to talk while watching the halls. Ms. Karen Jones, Mr. Dave Kochan, Mr. Mark Simms, Ms. Kathleen Mellon, and Mrs. Cathy Wenz keep an eye on the math hall.

MOST FRIENDSHIPS BEGIN... with a conversation. Mr. Dan Gilbertson and Nick Bolia begin a conversation during class time in the library.



Mr. Dennis McMaken
Rainbow Connection, Special Delivery
Ms. Kathleen Mellon
Social Studies, Comm II, SADD, Soccer, 9th Volleyball
Mr. Jim Musson
Drafting, Arch. Drafting, 9th Science



Ms. Kathy Nist
Media Specialist, NHS
Mr. Lou Rameau
Special Services, Quiz Bowl
Mrs. Marie Rediess
Physiology, 9th Science, 10th Science



Mrs. Mary Robertson
Adv. Algebra, Algebra
Mr. Lou Rochon
Algebra, Adv. Algebra, Func/Stat/Trig
Mr. Jesse Sabo
Physics, Chemistry, 9th Science



Mr. Dan Salyer
Algebra, Tran. Math, Geometry, 9th Football, Wrestling
Mrs. Cheryl Scharnweber
Comm I, Comm III, Junior Class
Mr. Dan Shafer
Rat Review, TV Studio, Comm II, Drama, Play Director, Track



Ms. Anita Shagena
Government, Geography, Close Up
Mr. Mark Simms
9th Science, 10th Science, Adv. PE, JV Football, Track
Ms. Debbie Stevenson
Social Studies, Comm I, Comm II, JV Cheerleading

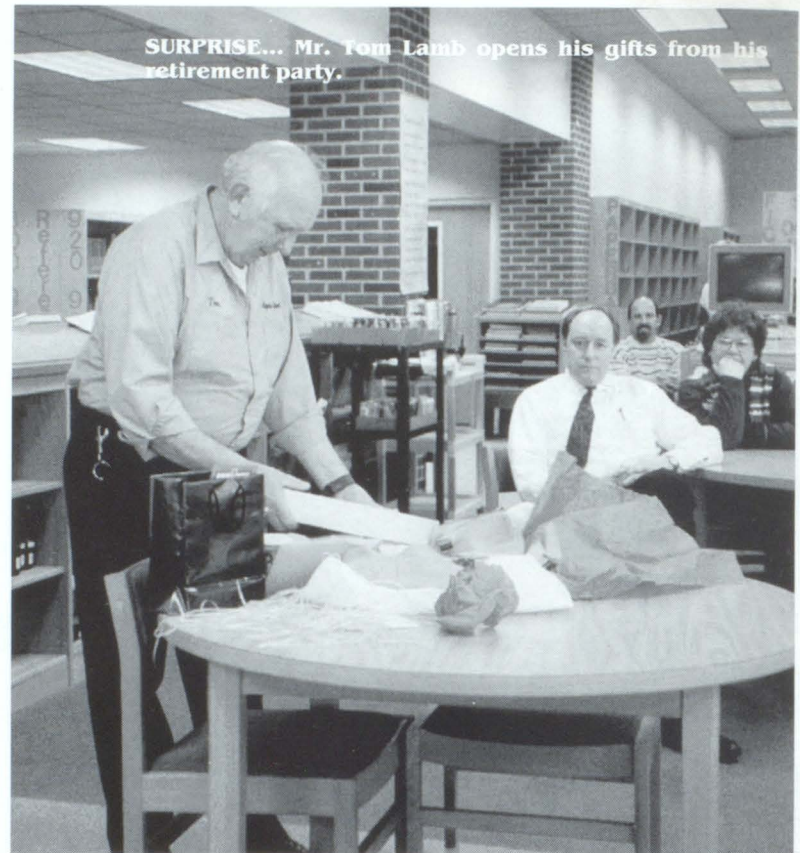


Mr. Michael Taylor
Special Services, Senior Class, JV Basketball, Track
Mrs. Patricia Wright
Economics, College Bound Keyboarding, Keyboarding/Business Skills
Mr. Steve Young
American Lit, Comm II, Comm III

Not pictured: Mr. Mike Sharrow, PE, Varsity Football; **Mrs. Stephanie Urban** Physiology, 10th Science, 9th Science, JV Volleyball; **Mr. Mike Yoskovich** Marching Band, Symphonic Band



Cafeteria staff: Pat Lauzon, Sue Smith, Sharon Freeman, Jeannie LaBelle, Kris Smith, Evelyn Avers, and Dianne Harrington.



SURPRISE... Mr. Tom Lamb opens his gifts from his retirement party.



Custodians: Finley Gerow, Gail Gendron, Tom Lamb, Joe MacDormott, Gary Tesch, Jeannie Rolewicz.



LEAVING EARLY... Marc Fournier gets a ride on the TEC bus to the Marysville.



Bus Drivers: Front Row: Dorothy Myny, Sharon Christiaens, Jean Sicken, Max Zamborowski, Debe Kmetz, Cindy Rose Back Row: Chris Orchard, Carol Raymond, Teri Windiate, Delores Mayle, Debbie Meldrum, Tammy Schwartz, Michell Plantrich



FEASTING... Pat Lauzon serves up the yummy grill cheese sandwiches for lunch.

ADDING HEAT... Dave Polito uses one of his many skills to repair the heater.



Keeping it all together

Have you ever thought of how things get done around here? Every day there's a group of individuals keeping this school in good shape. From unjamming our lockers to keeping the heat going, the custodians meet the needs of students and staff. "The challenging thing is trying keep the kids thinking positive. There are so many negative kids here. This is a good school if you look at it positive." said Mrs. Gail Gendron.

Lunch is probably everybody's favorite time of the day. Taking their time and energy to prepare the lunch, the cooks begin every day at 8:15 and start their clean up at 1:15. Mrs. Kris Smith said, "Since I bake for the entire district I have to keep myself organized, so all schools receive what is needed and on schedule, also dealing with unruly students is always a challenge." Lunch is a break from all the hard work. everybody enjoys chatting with their friends and cafeteria staff at lunch time.

For the bus drivers starting the day out very early ,they have to make sure the bus is properly maintained. Dealing with student's behavior, the snow and ice is an every day job for them. "The biggest challenge is getting the kids to behave for me." said Mrs. Carol Raymond. Getting the students to and from school fills most of the bus drivers day.



FRESH SALAD... Mrs. Sue Smith makes sure the salad bar is full and fresh for all the students and staff.

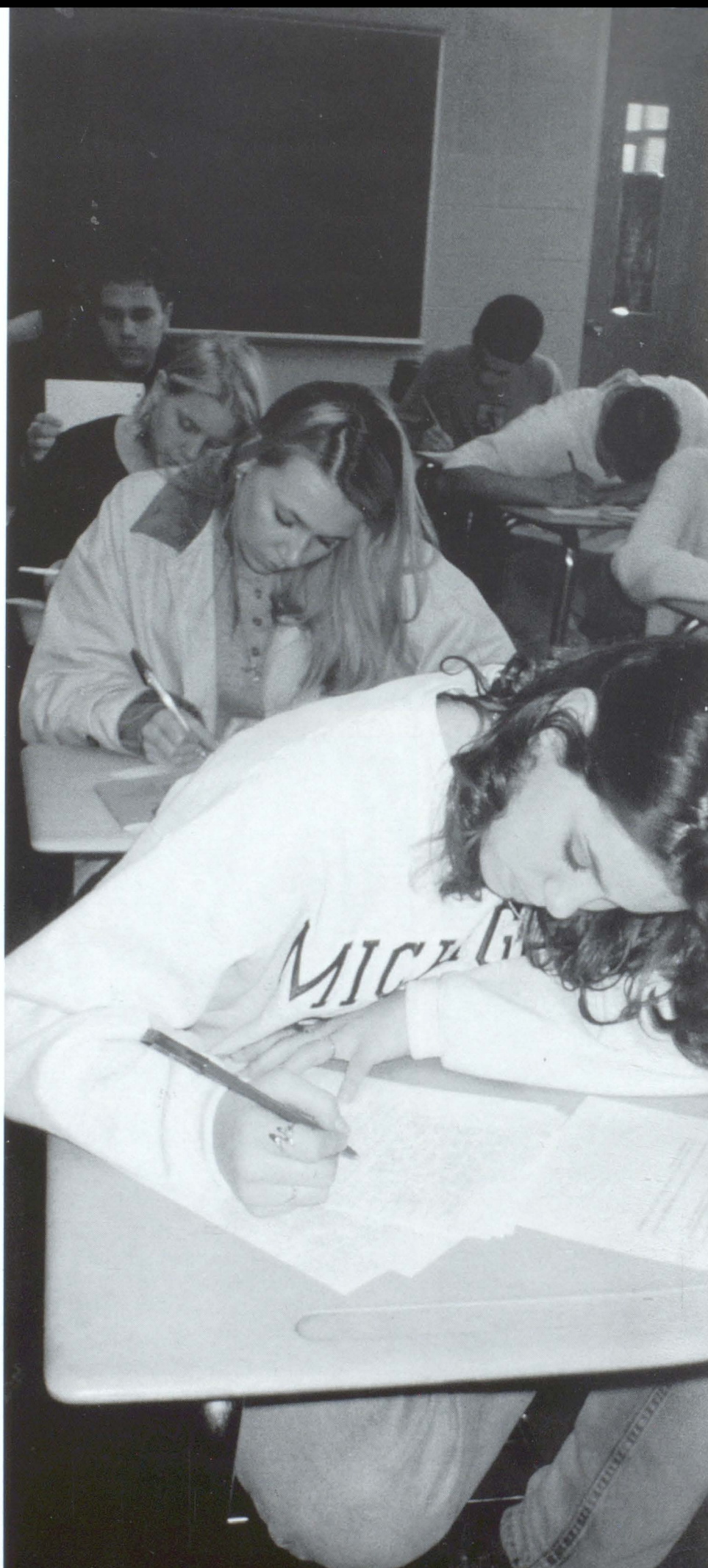


QUIET BEFORE THE RUSH... Taking a moment for a photo before lunch are Mrs. Evelyn Avers and Mrs. Kris Smith.



LINES... After waiting in line for first lunch, Jason Glowski is finally able to pay Mrs. Sharon Freeman.

PROJECTS... Working in co operative groups, John Henderson, Joy Morris and Candy Burden, Angela Thomas and Stuart Wenz participate in a review game on Shane prior to the test Ms. Debbie Stevenson's class. Grouping provided opportunities for students to learn group interaction skills.



WRITING DAYS... Throughout the school once a marking period, it was 'drop everything and write'. This enabled the school to meet one of the North Central goals of writing across the curriculum. In Drama class, Tracey Stephenson, Devona Becker, Renee Woolcock, Adam Drake, Christina Coughlin and Ricky Hornbaker complete the assignment on a reflective piece dealing with individual progress prior to the *Night of One Acts*.

Muskrats: BIG in a lot of little ways..

Academic Division

With a different twist

Academic awards honor students

College Composition yellow sheets

Art students paint wall murals throughout AHS

Deadlines in yearbook and newspaper

Exams except for those exempt

Memories caught on tape by the TV studio

Impromptu speeches in 10th grade Comm rotation

Compass experiments for Physics class

Stained glass painting in English Literature class



NCA ACCREDITATION... On November 21, the North Central Accreditation team visited AHS. At a morning meeting, steering committee members Mr. Dave Kochan, Mr. Jim Holmes, Ms. Kathy Nist, Mrs. Mary Robertson, and Ms. Kathleen Mellon listened to Team chair Mr. Jim Steeby explain the process for the day.

RESOURCES... RESOURCES... With the Media Center full of a variety of resources, Dan Pfeiffer checks with Ms. Kathy Nist on SIRS for his report for Comm class.

More than the "3R's"

School isn't all book work. Many students choose classes that go beyond the traditional "reading, writing, and arithmetic". Students can choose from classes which provide a creative outlet such as Drama, Newspaper, Art, and Band, or classes to prepare them for college such as French, Spanish, Chemistry, and Advanced Algebra. Students planning ahead for careers may take Drafting or Office Block. "Office block is teaching me how an office is usually run. It also prepares me for what I should expect if I work for a large business," said junior Lisa DeLaere.

Many athletes take advanced gym to prepare for their sport seasons. "Gym keeps me in shape and I can get my frustrations out," said Steve Lochbiler. Some take gym for other reasons. "I like it because we don't have homework and I don't have to sit in a desk all hour," said Mike Bender.

With the HSPT right around the corner, a lot of students are taking courses such as American Lit., English Lit., Advanced Math and Science classes to prepare themselves for this test. "These electives are important to juniors because they prepare you for the HSPT and are good if you want to go to college," said Heather Rymar.

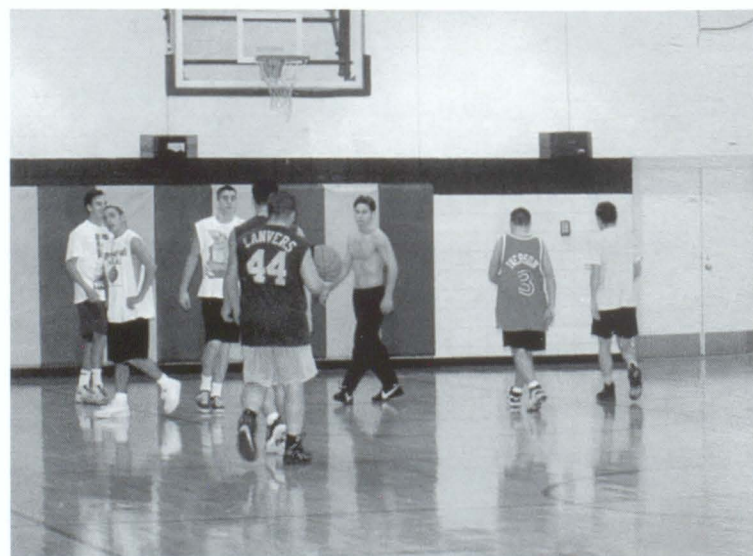
One of the most popular classes is psychology. "I enjoy psychology because it's very interesting but sometimes the things we learn about are really strange and appalling," said Nicole Cameron.

DETAIL ATTENTION...Chris Zamborowski works on his latest project in Mr. Musson's drafting class.



SPIRITED EDITION... Theresa Stahl and Kelly Heron sell the *Rat Review* during Homecoming week.

STAYING IN SHAPE After a week of running laps, lifting weights and exercising, the Advanced Gym class takes a day off for basketball.



REHEARSING ... the *Night of One Acts* Annie Rockwood and Margeaux Peters get into their characters.



CREATIVE... The back halls are filled with student art work. Cassi Bommarito adds a border around the door to Mr. Greg Jones's room.



Top 5 Most Popular Electives

1. Psychology
2. Art
3. Gym
4. Newspaper
5. Drama



CHALLENGES... Mrs. Amy Click poses tough questions in Spanish trivia to Spanish I.



AUCTION... Mrs. Carol Bokhari gives Sara Hollen a prize for her left over francs at the annual French auction.



STAINED GLASS CREATIVITY... While studying cathedrals in English Literature, Mrs. Sandra Bade helps her student Danielle Sartain.



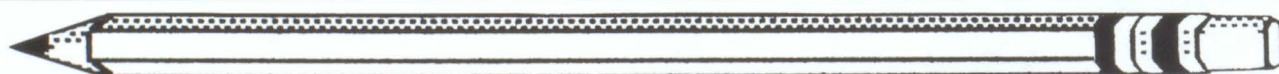
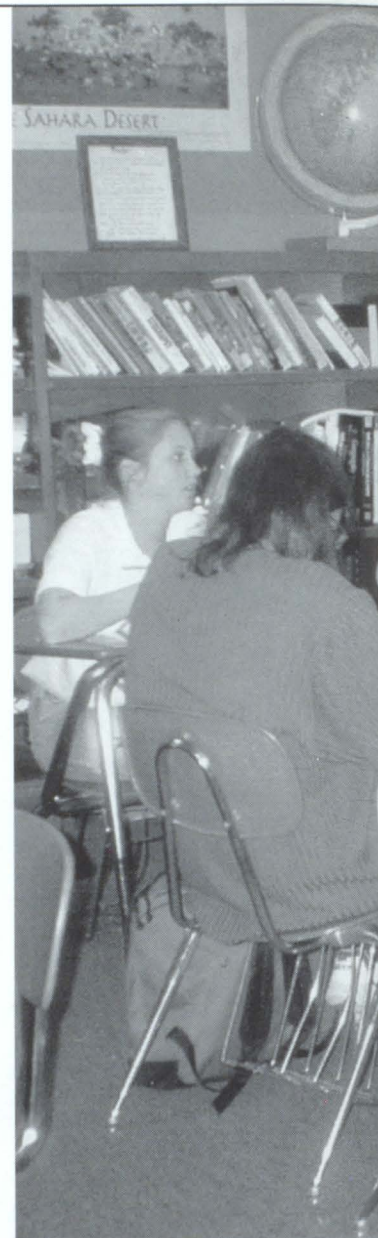
ELECTIVES... For many, Band's a four year elective. Jessica Zoss and Mr. Michael Yoskovich discuss during Parent Conferences.

HSPT TESTING... The Senior re-take test was coordinated by Mrs. Cheryl Schamweber. Seniors listened directions before completing the reading portion.

INSIDE GLANCE... Science teacher Mr. Jesse Sabo lectures his class on the table of elements.



OPEN BOOK TESTING... American History can be challenging. In Mrs. Ruth Mavis's class, the test dealing with westward expansion was open book to utilize maps. Mike Bender, Kelly Savage, Reyne Modestino and Amber Brackett use books and notes to compete the test.



JOTTING NOTES... Comm II rotation involves a variety of experiences for sophomores. Andrew King completes an assignment on *The Crucible*.



PARLEZ VOUS FRANCAIS... Learning a new language provides challenges. Brandalynn Hathaway and Jacqueline Soto complete an assignment in French I.



ALL SCHOOL WRITING... Sun Oak Kim completes this year's first all school writing assignment in Mr. Dan Shafer's drama class.



INDIVIDUAL PROJECTS... Braids and all, Kate Dearie works on a complicated project during 6th hour Anatomy and Physiology class.



Pass or fail — student testing

Throughout high school, testing has become one major controversy. Students agree that test taking can be very nerve wracking.

Tests can be a very big deal especially if the right reviewing skills are not used. "Going over the test out loud is my best method of review," said Ben Clark

Getting nervous for tests is also very common among students, although some students do not get nervous at all.

In a way tests are very awkward. Every kind of test falls on a different day every week. "Monday must be the worst day of the week to have a test only because no one wants to study over the weekend," said Lisa Thome.

For all students, particularly juniors, the HSPT has become a driving force in curriculum. "The teachers are doing a lot of preparing to get us ready for this. There are classes after school you can take. We are doing a lot of writing assignments in class," said Theresa Stahl.

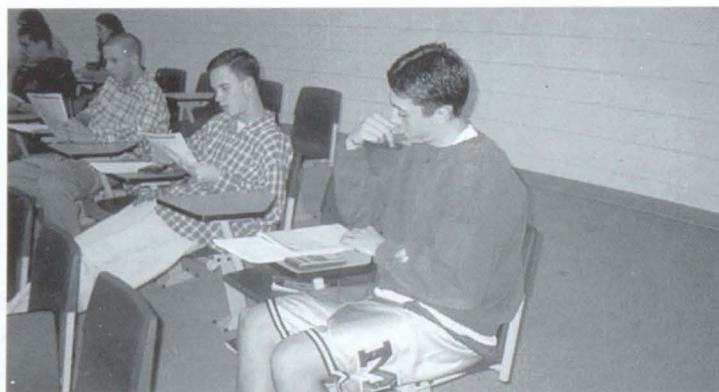
This test remains controversial among students, teachers and parents. Todd Lang said: "I think it's dumb because your endorsements are based on one test."

As the test came closer, juniors prepared in all of their classes. "In Mrs. Robertson's class we are working out of the HSPT study guide books. In Mrs. Bade's class, we will be starting to write 3 days out of the week, and other two will be English Literature," said Kim Steward.

School is a time for testing as teachers look for ways of assessing student learning. Many tests are difficult, but that's part of the educational process. With the right techniques, students should pass.



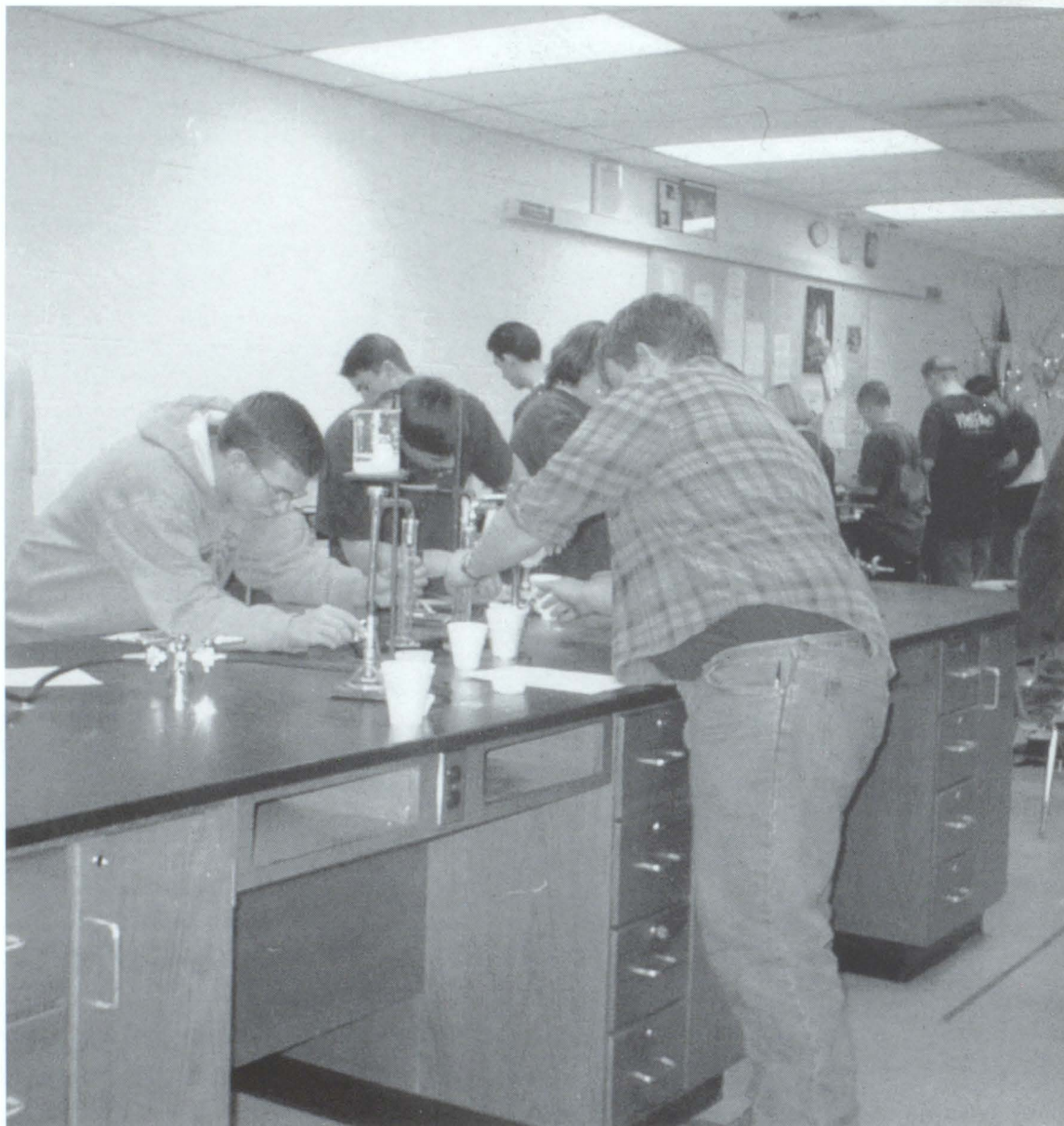
CO OPERATIVE GROUPS... In Ms. Anita Shagena's Geography class, grouping enables students to experience co operative work. Teressa Zelenock, Richard Grant, Melissa Voakes, Andrea Balduck and Georgi Wenckovsky complete a map skills project.



DOWN THE LINE... Jason Meldrum, Steve Lochbiler, and Corry Jobin concentrate on the HSPT review.

CRAMMING... After late nights of studying, the black Wednesday test finally arrives. Lisa Prayer and Nichole Houf wear black for extra credit.

PROVIDING EXPERTISE... Each of the individual science rotations deals with one aspect of science. Mr. Jim Musson presents information on electricity.



ROYALTY... Mole king and queen . . . Dale Smith and Terry Cartwright



AFTER SCHOOL... Mrs. Stephanie Urban checks the tests prior to the end of the marking period before Volleyball practice.



PLANNING TIME... Teaching involves so much more than just presenting material. Mrs. Marie Rediess uses her 2nd hour prep.



PEANUT BRITTLE... Lori Smith and Christine Levitt measure liquid in the steps for making peanut brittle.



EXPERIMENTS... Noah DeLange and Scott Hepburn add the ingredients to boil the mixture to create peanut brittle.

MOLE DAY... Lori Smith and Melissa Smith lead the parade with their version of a mole day float.

Explosion of the sciences

Science is one of the required areas of study. In the 9th grade, students rotate through six different classes, while in the 10th grade they switch at semester.

When students hit junior and senior year, electives open up as opportunities for advanced study. Juniors have a choice between Earth Science, Chemistry or Anatomy and Physiology while seniors can also take these classes in addition, Physics is another option.

Amy Solomon in Mrs. Stephanie Urban's Anatomy and Physiology said: "We had to learn about what the different bones do and what they are used for or where they are located."

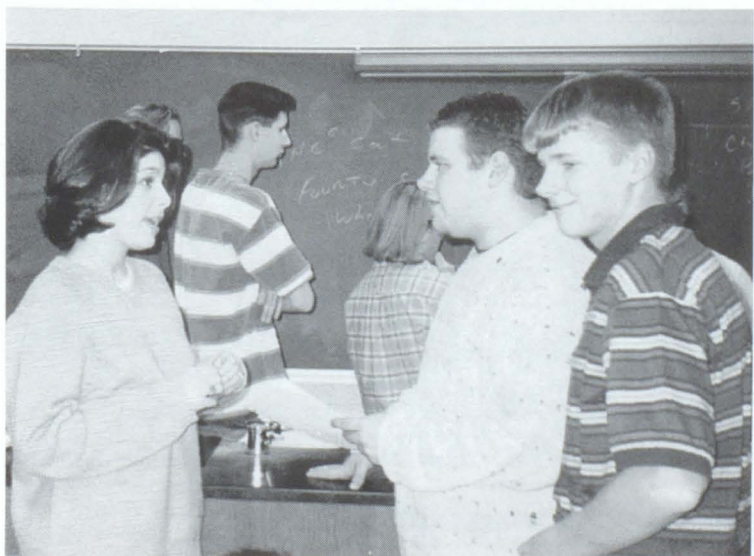
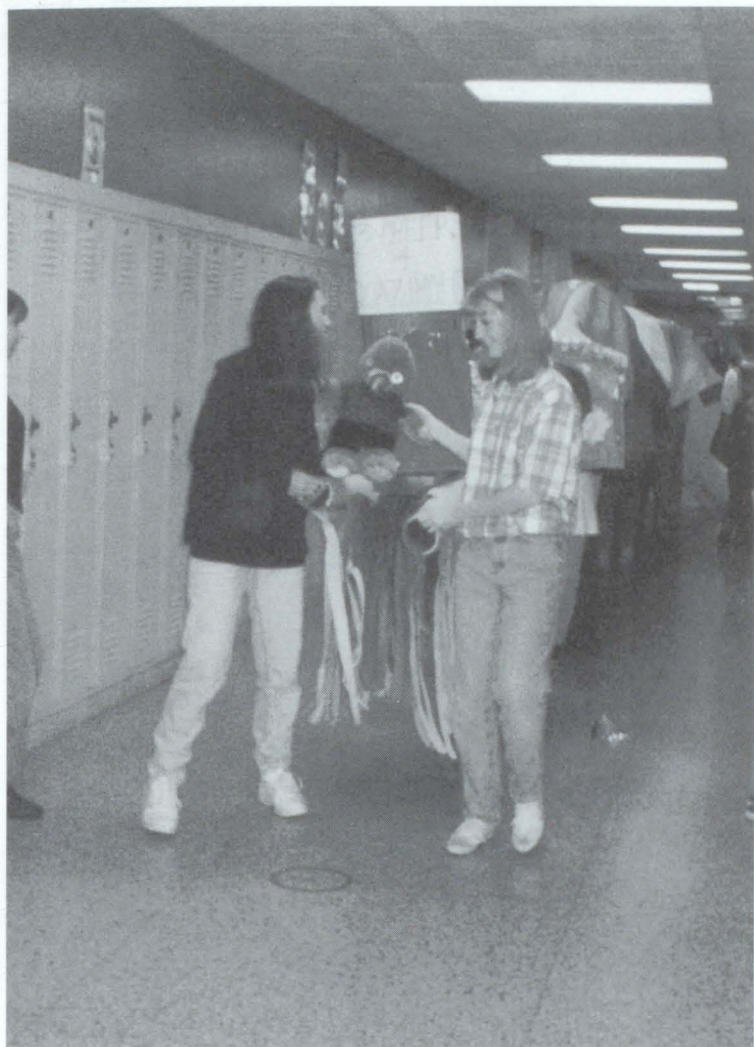
Shana Cadena finds Chemistry challenging. "The tests are always a challenge." Don Schwehofer also said that

"Some of the demonstrations about electricity were pretty cool."

In Mrs. Marie Rediess's Anatomy and Physiology class, Kelly Savage said: "The challenging thing about this class was keeping my grade up. I love challenging classes that's why I like this class."

In Mrs. Debra Fenton's class, Rick Rank enjoyed the experience of making crystals. "Mrs. Fenton is cool. Her class rocks."

EXPERIMENTS... Katie May, Jeff Werner and Robbie Bryson discuss experiment results in Chemistry.



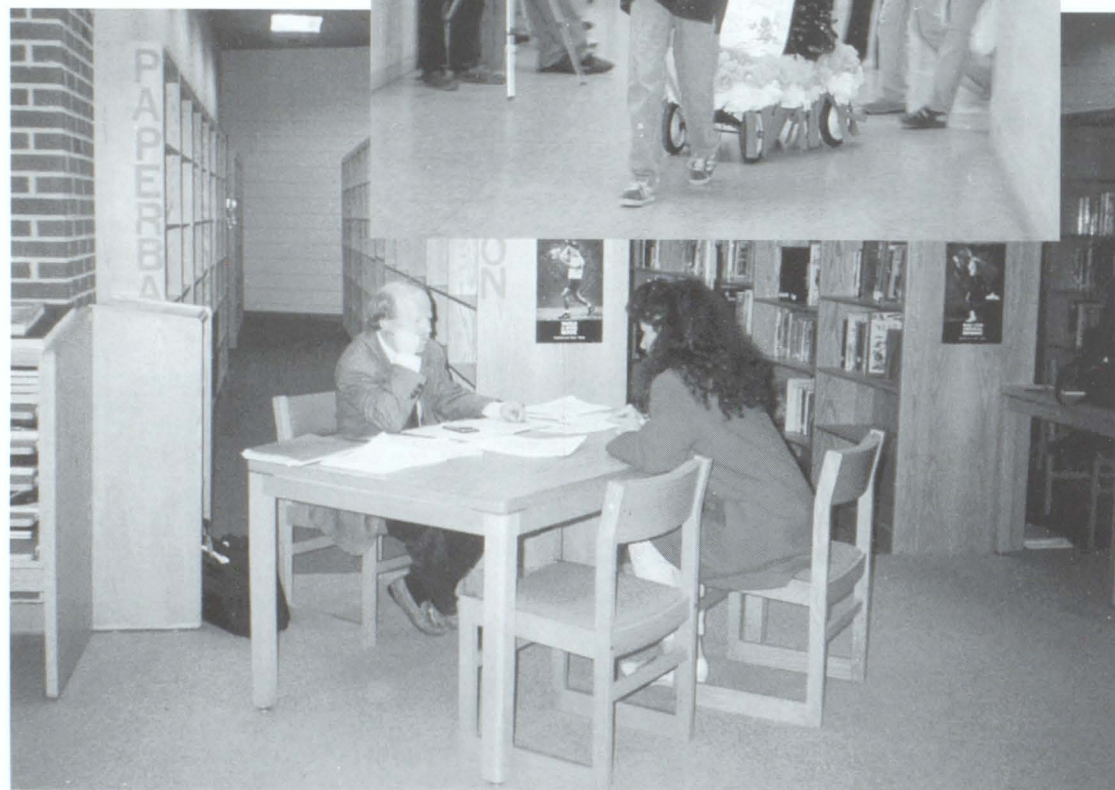
CHEMICAL REACTIONS... Don Maes and Robbie Bryson get all the materials ready for their Chemistry experiment.

MOLE FLOATS... The mole catapillar leads the way.

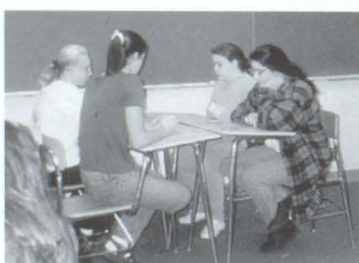
BUILDING A FLOAT... Lynette Falkiewicz leads the group presenting the entry from Mr. Mark Simms science class.

BUILDING A CHARACTER... Adam DRake takes flight during *Why Teachers Go Nuts* during the *Night of One Acts* put on by the Drama class.

BUILDING A PARENT TEACHER RELATIONSHIP... is a key. Mr. Steve Young updates a parent on individual progress.



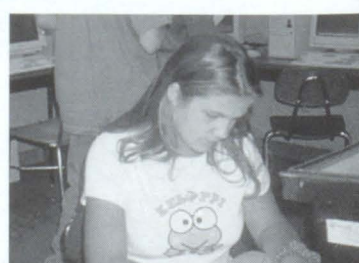
BUILDING GRADES... Mrs. Patricia Wright takes advantage of between class time to average individual student grades.



BUILDING VOCABULARY... Melody Love, Susan Allison, Sara Donaldson and Vickie Boyll build Spanish vocab during a Spanish class play.



BUILDING AWARENESS... Jennifer Williams and Vanessa Bridenbaugh discuss current events in Ms. Anita Shagen's class.



BUILDING A LAYOUT... Starting at the bottom of the page Margeaux Peters puts the finishing touches on her newspaper layout.



Building a future

From building vocabulary in foreign language classes to building projects in shop, students build a future at AHS.

Students can build a memory for themselves and each other in Mrs. Ruth Mavis's yearbook class. "Putting a yearbook together is hard work, but it is worth it because in return you remember everything that happened. Years from now I can look back and remember my high school years as a memorable experience," said senior staff member Carrie Bechill.

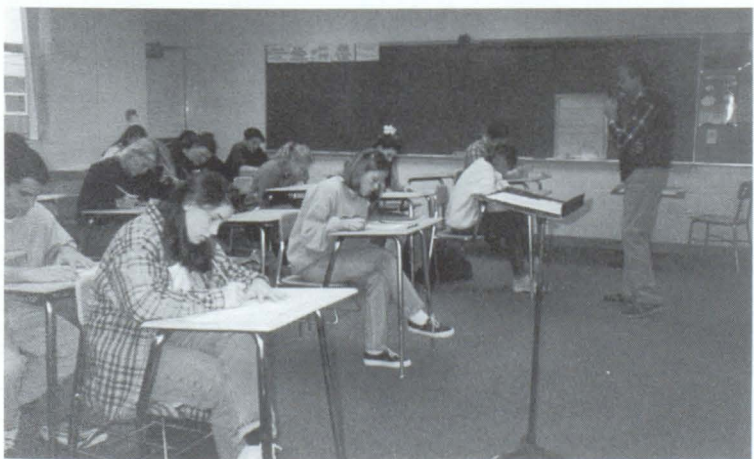
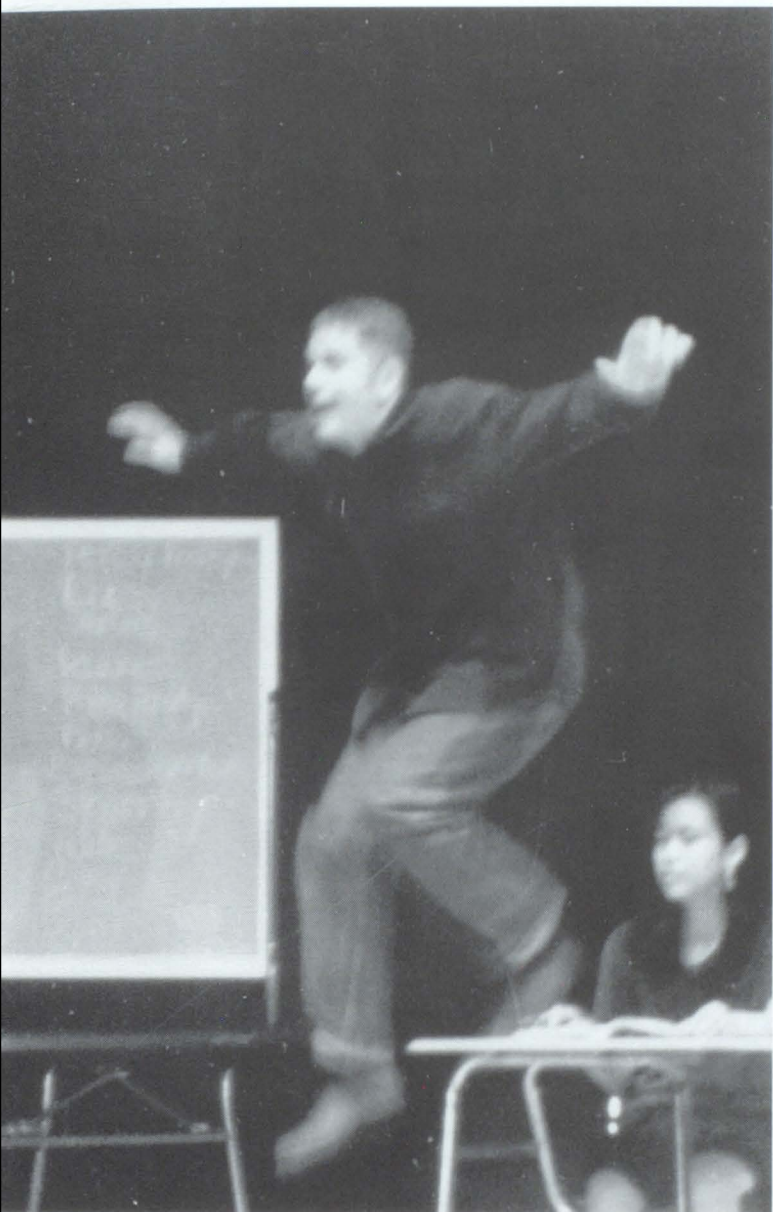
On Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, advanced gym students head to the weight room where they build strength and muscle. "Lifting helps you get strong and makes you huge," said Jason Solgot.

Every Friday, Ms. Anita Shagena's government class discuss current events they found in the news the prior

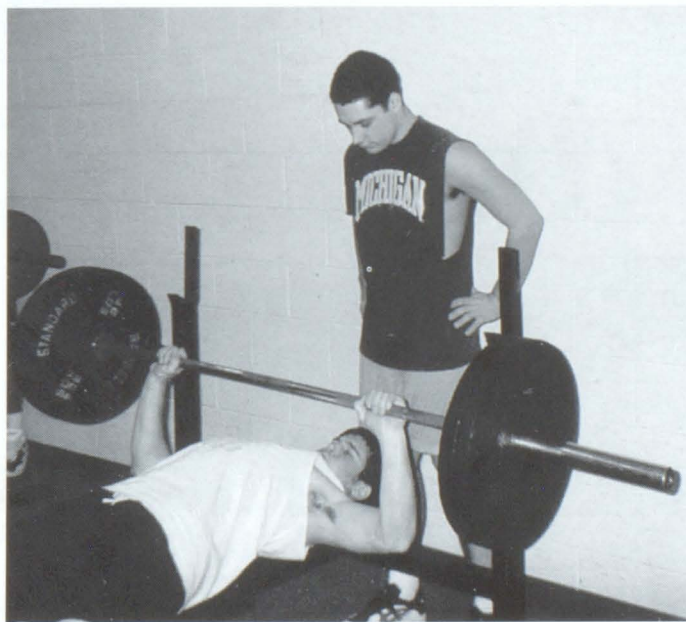
week. Current events help to build the student's awareness about the world around them. "Current events are good because they keep you aware of what is going on in the world," said Bobby Schrader.

School sponsored dances and sporting events are a great way for students to get together and build friendships. "I like going to games because you can spend time with friends and meet people from other schools," said Theresa Stahl.

Strong academics, however, is a key part of this future foundation. Students have the opportunity to take challenging courses that provide critical thinking and investigative research. From beginning in 9th grade Social Studies with an understanding of city government to the reflective written pieces that are a part of all English classes, the opportunity for challenge remains strong. The responsibility is on each student to meet this challenge.



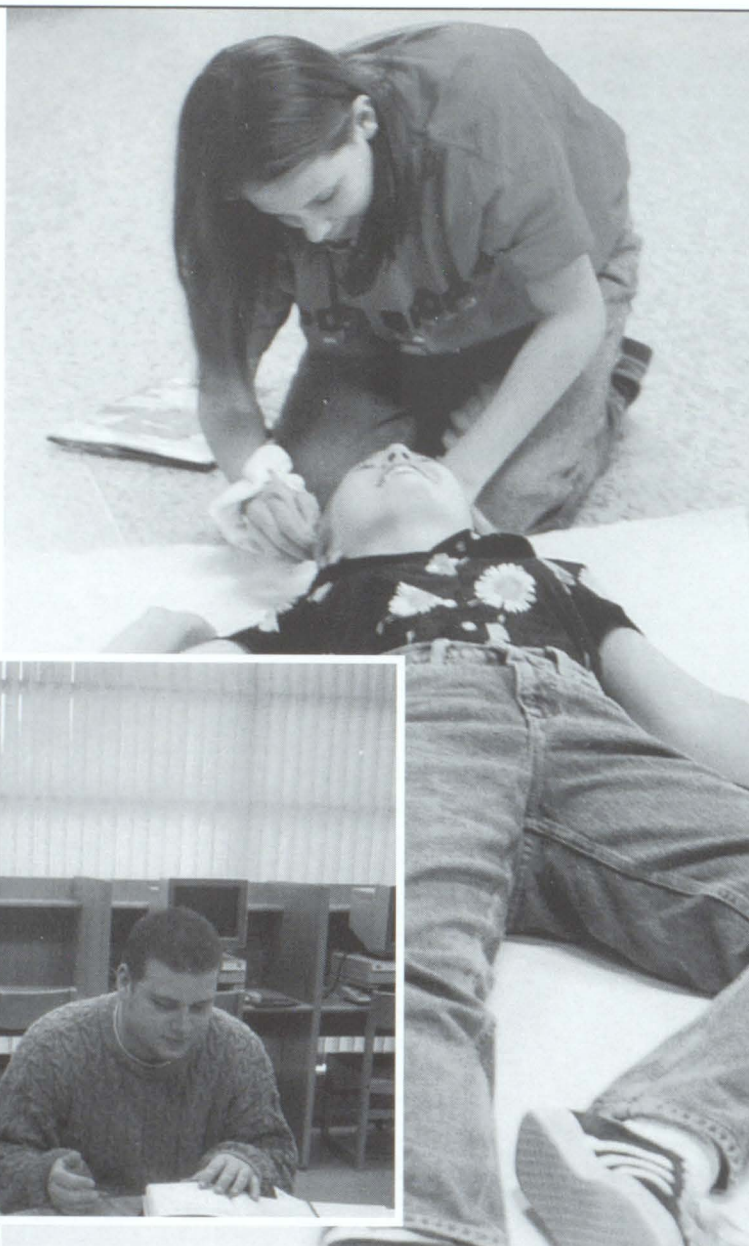
BUILDING A PROFILE... Mr. Rod Greenwood explains the characteristics of a psychopath to his 2nd hour Psychology students.



BUILDING MUSCLE... Nick Duprey spots Dustin Boyd in Mr. Mark Simm's sixth hour advanced gym class.

Being traced... Amy Hutchins lays on paper while Sara Claerhout traces her for their french project on body parts.

Helping out... Mrs. Debbie Fenton helps Jeff Werner for an assignment with a library research project,



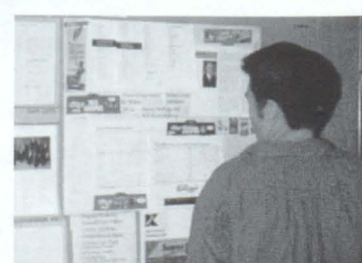
Working hard... Tom Spruytte uses library resources to complete a project dealing with scientists.



Looking for the answer... Rick Rank works hard in the media center utilizing encyclopedia to provide necessary background information.



Academic awards... Carey Larabee receives an academic letter as his second year award during the annual assembly.



INVESTMENTS... Alek Shiloff looks over the results of the Kellogg stock in Mrs. Wright's Economics class.



Beyond the books

Finding new, innovative, ways to make an educational impression on students is one of the challenges facing the teachers. Most students triumph over there challenges with the help of the teachers. Teachers and students working together with help both the teacher and the student prosper in the future.

The student will be able to over come more challenges that life brings, thanks to the help of the teacher. The teacher will be a better teacher, thanks to the help of the student. Senior Phil Clark said: 'Mr. Dennis McMaken is a very organized and prepared teacher. He devotes a large amount of his time towards our groups (Rainbow Connection, and Special Delivery). He has been an inspiration both inside and out of the class'.

Certain people (teachers and students both) spend countless hours working on things for our school, whether it be a sport, student council, band, chorus, or another group. People participating in these groups help to make our school better.

Conferences provide... an excellent opportunity for parents to see how their son or daughter is doing in class. Chris Laux's mom spoke with Ms. Anita Shagena about Chris's progress, during the November conferences.

As part of the TV studio's Christmas show, Mr. Dave Kochan and Jennifer Peterson did a cookie baking demonstration.

Sarah Cooper asks for help from Mr. Dan Salyer in Geometry class. Group work enabled students to help each other grasp the concepts.

One step closer

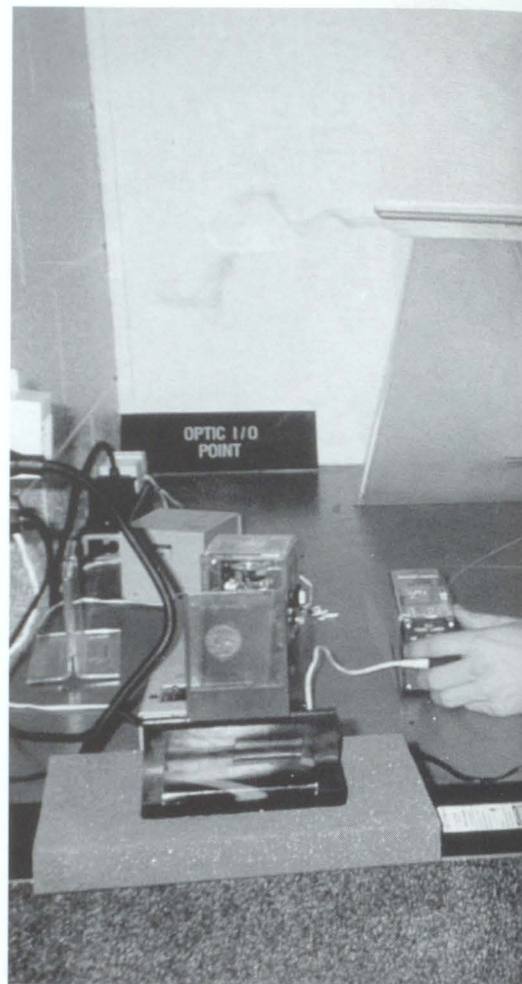
When building up to the future there are many steps to take. One key choice is TEC (Technical Education Center) with endless opportunities. TEC allows students hands on training they can easily apply to the future. "In Marine Tec we get a little dirty, but its fun hands on," said junior Tim Barber. Besides the valuable training, well earned credits are also the result.

TEC is an excellent idea for those looking towards a technical career after high school. "I plan to further my skills in electronics at ITT after I graduate," commented senior Jeff Sykes. There are many courses offered at TEC. Health, business, auto body, electromechanics, and CAD are some of the choices. "I take Medical Technology, it is a lot of fun and you get to meet new people," said junior Tina Rohn.

Upon graduation from TEC, students receive certification in the course. junior Angie Wagner likes going to TEC "It gives you a good idea of what to expect after high school."



KITCHEN FUN...In his food service class, Don Schwehofer gingerly stirs the sauce he is creating.



"I like going to TEC because, it enables me to meet new people and learn something new while I'm at it." senior Nick Percy.

"TEC has helped me a lot. I'm currently in a co-op program that allows me to apply my knowledge of electronics to the real world." senior Charlie Childs.



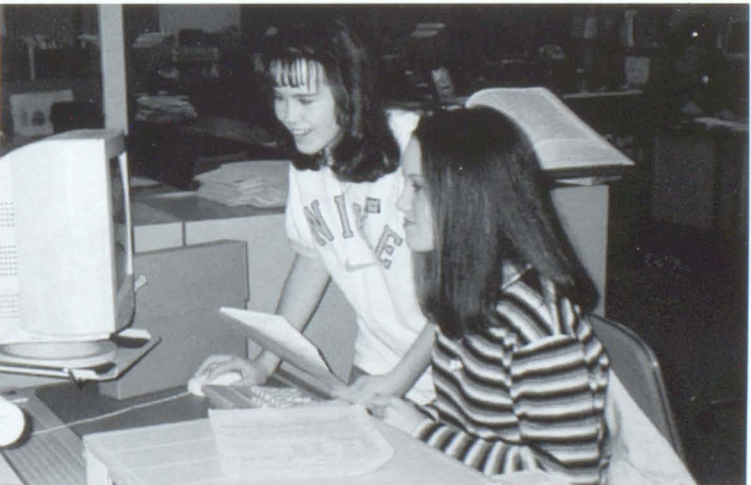
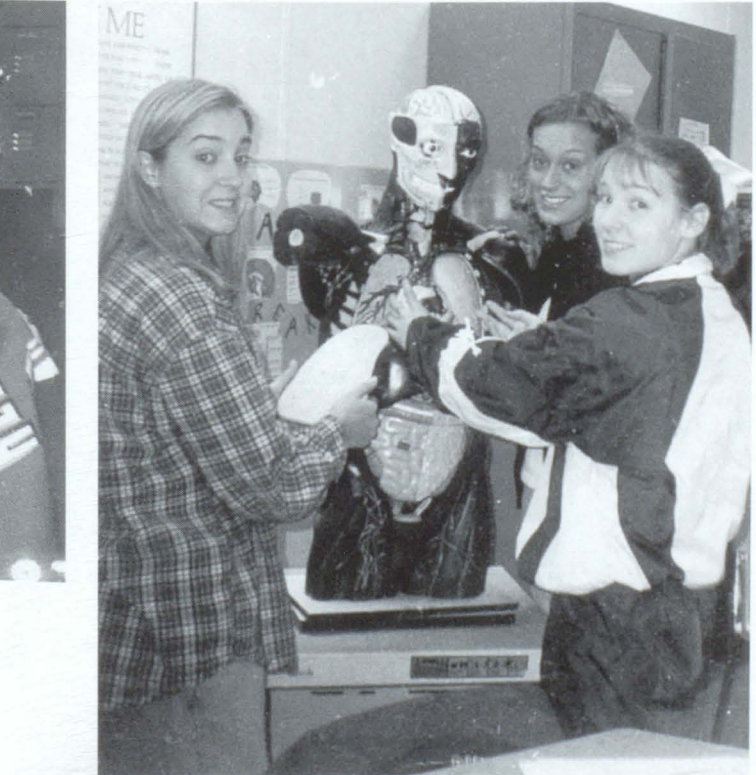
PENCIL TO PAPER....Junior Josh Baker steadily concentrates on the design he is making for CAD (computer aided drafting).

FALLING APART...Happily displaying the many parts of a human body in their Medical Technology class Stacey Bark, Tammy Dumond, and Amanda Hardy, smile broadly.

LASERS ... Senior Jeff Sykes puts the finishing touches on a mini laser light show for his electronics class.

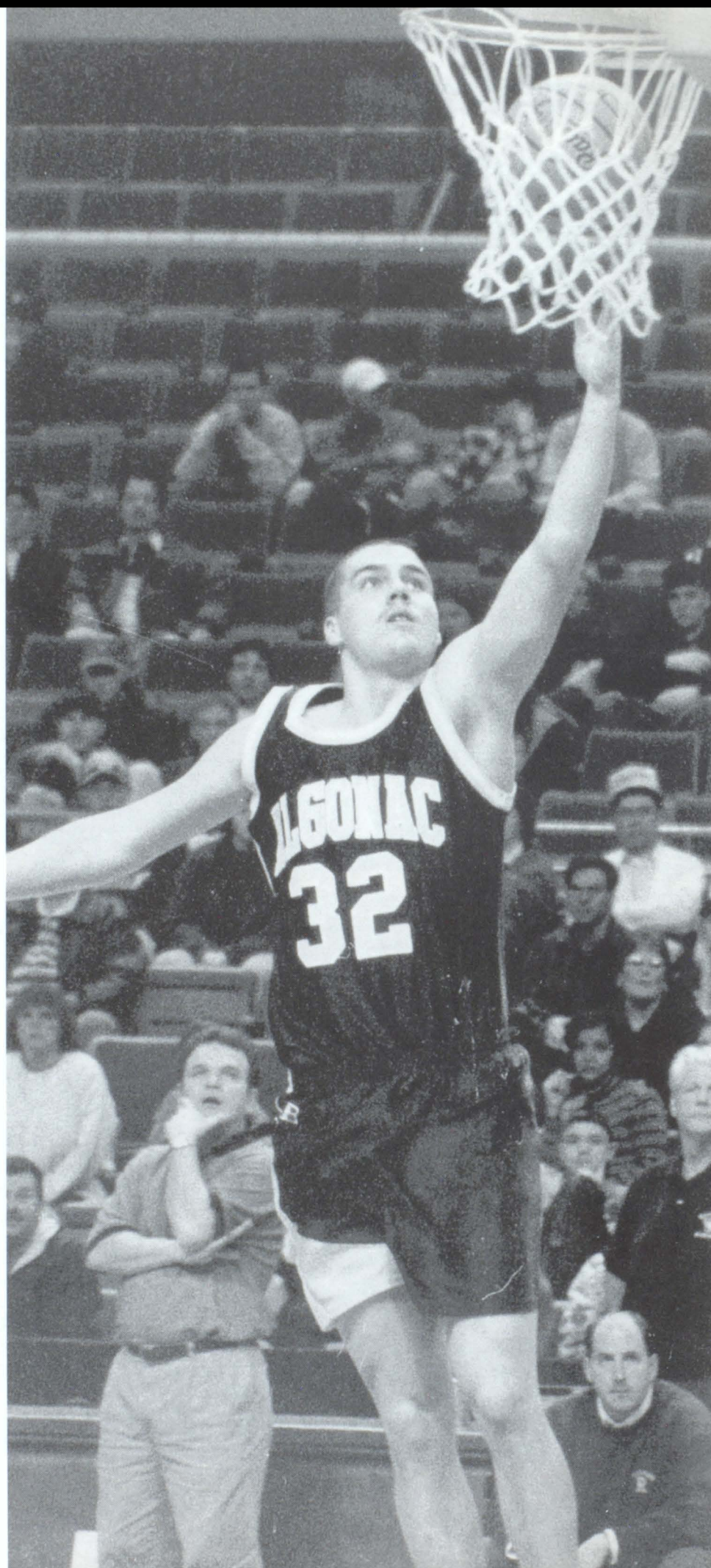


SPARE PARTS....Junior Tim Barber works hard to complete his assignment in his Marine Tec class.



COMPUTER SKILLS....Juniors Amy Ward and Amanda Julien use the computer as a helpful device in their business class.

Dazzling the crowd...at the Palace of Auburn Hills, Hector DeSaedeeler leaps towards the basket for a quick two on a breakaway.



Amanda Puranen...Sarah Cooper, Sarah Drake, Sarah Prudhomme, and Sarah Claerhout all gather around the muskrat after performing a cheer for the Junior Varsity football team.

MUSKRATS . . . BIG in a lot of little ways...

Sports Division

Transition to the MAC was no obstacle

Varsity Football improves program to a winning one.

All-stars Rick Hornbaker and Cathy Piotrowski help propel the cross country teams to league championships.

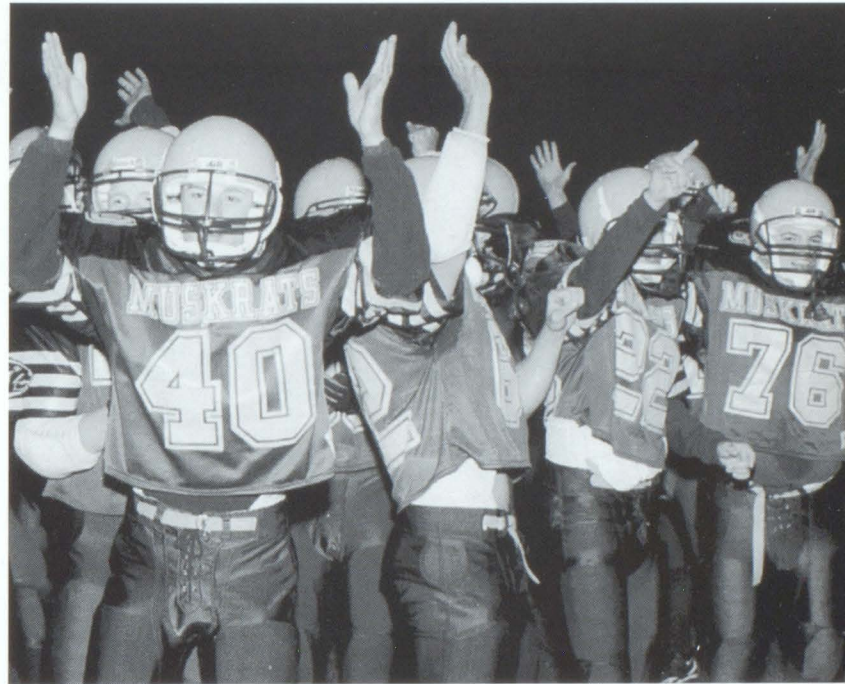
First year of soccer was a remarkable one with an 8-2 record and they finished as one of the top teams in the Macomb Area Conference.

Making progress were the cheerleaders, winning their first trophy for a competition taking 3rd place at the SCAL league meet.

A historic event was made when the 96' boys track team was the first area team to ever post an unbeaten season in all outdoor meets, big or small.

The boys Varsity basketball team earned the honor to play at the Palace of Auburn Hills for the second straight season.

A new dance team was offered for all students under the direction of Lorrie Forest and Jill Hutchins. They performed at many of the athletic events attracting more people to the games.



Mike Bender...leads the celebration as the rest of the Varsity football players rejoice after a touchdown.

Sporting dreads...and a nice arm tattoo, Megan Taylor attempts to pass the ball to a nearby teammate at a crowded home game.

"I was really pleased with the golf team because they worked to their ability and had a really good season losing only one match." Coach Ross Brown



Fore, watch out for that ball! Golfing the season away

Defeating Warren Cousino 164 - 178 was an impressive start to a successful golf season. This win became a good jump into the new MAC. The varsity team came within two strokes of defeating Dakota High School to win the Macomb Area Conference Tournament.

GOLF

| ALGONAC | OPPONENT | |
|-----------------|-----------|-----|
| Cousino | 164 | 178 |
| Marysville | 170 | 177 |
| Marine City | 185 | 174 |
| Roseville | 155 | 240 |
| SCAL Tournament | 2nd place | |
| Dakota | 186 | 174 |
| Cousino | 165 | 172 |
| Marysville | 173 | 184 |
| Marine City | 174 | 171 |

overall: 5 - 3

Other team accomplishments included a record of 5 wins and 3 losses. The team took third in the Muskrat Scramble and they broke a course record by shooting a score of 155 at Middle Channel Golf Course on Harsens Island. They placed third at the League meet, and fifth at Regionals.

Co captains Dominic Ticconi and Cory Sutton led the team in averages. They also won awards including First Team All MAC. Cory Sutton received the special award of First Team All League. Dominic Ticconi was next, being awarded Second Team All League honors. Ticconi stated, "I feel the MAC was easier competition than S.C.A.L."

The Junior Varsity Team golfed with Varsity but concentrated more on having fun and enjoying the sport. The top four scores determined Varsity or JV placement in matches. "Most of us got along well because we wanted to have fun. We didn't let golfing get us frustrated," said sophomore Tom Funke.



Golf: Front Row: Jeff Sperry, Joe Funke, Cory Sutton, Dominic Ticconi, Adam Lozen, Derek Chwan, Kevin Hall. Back Row: Coach Ross Brown, Joe Muckenthaler, Ryan Shroerlucke, Joe Krum, Tom Koehler, Tom Funke, Clayton Byerly, Mike Bristol.

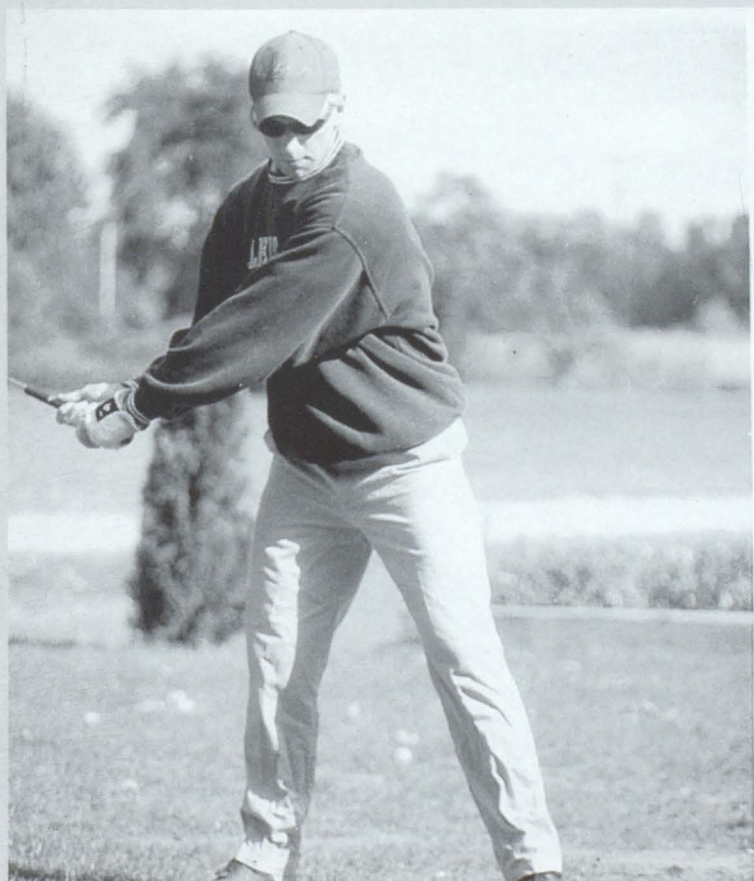


CAREFULLY... Cory Sutton concentrates on studying the hole while lining up his putt.

FULL SWING... During practice, Derek Chwan follows through his drive.



POWER... Before a match Dominic Ticconi warms up with a swing.



KEEPING HIS HEAD DOWN... Adam Lozen tees off the back nine.



UNDER AGE DRIVING... During the last competition Jeff Sperry and Tom Funke show off their "low-riding" skills.

"Baseball is great, and I really enjoy playing it." Adam Lozen.



ACCURATELY HITTING THE BALL... is the most difficult part of playing baseball. However Keith Ravis swings with ease.

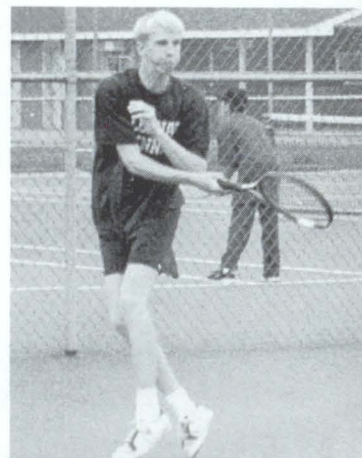
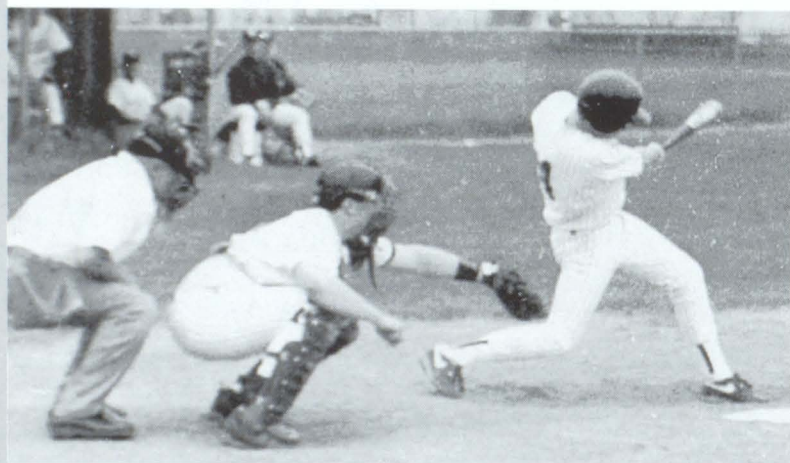
WITH ALL THE STRENGTH ... he can muster, Tony Bondy sends the tennis ball back to his opponent.

Swinging seasons

Taking third place in the SCAL, boys tennis ended the season with an over-all 5 - 6 record. Strong games included defeating Richmond twice 7 - 0, defeating Imlay City twice 5 - 6, and 1 - 6, and also defeating Marysville 4 - 3. "I felt that the team's performance was excellent and surprising because we had mostly new people on the team," said Rick Bechill.

Victory was no stranger to the Varsity Baseball team either. The team trampled over New Haven with a 9 - 0 victory. They also defeated Marine City 7 - 6, St. Clair 3 - 2 and later the team went on to defeat St. Clair 4 - 1 in the district semi finals. "We did not play as well as we should have because we were a young, inexperienced team," said Don Capadagli.

"Our best game was when we played Marine City and beat them 7 - 6 in overtime innings," said Evan Jarvi. J.V. played an over-all good season with a record of 7-10.



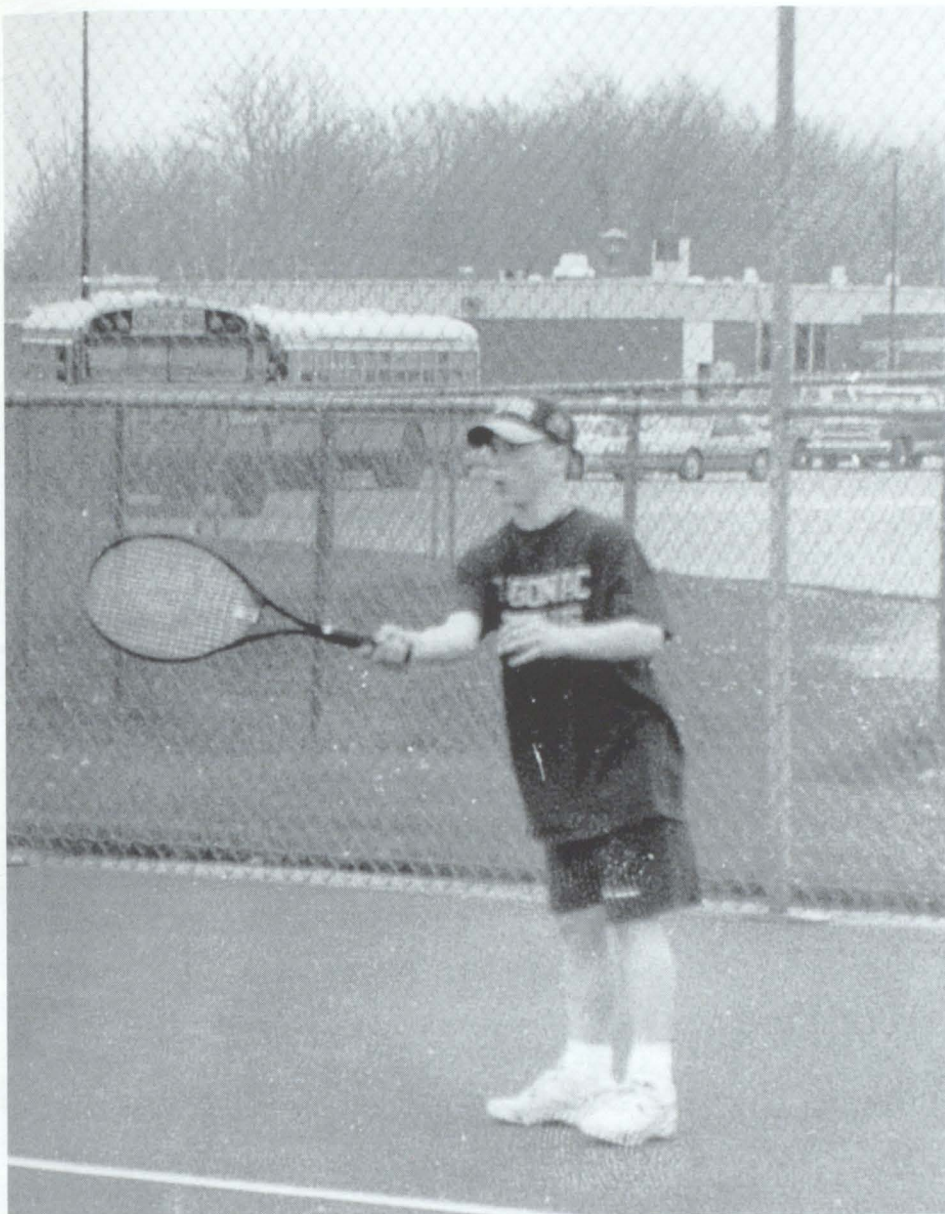
BOYS VARSITY BASEBALL

IFront Row: Ron Burns, Derek Chwan, Adam Lozen, Gus Castle, James Willey, Corey Sutton, and Brandon Rank.**Back Row:** Coach Mr. Bob Willey, Jason Schilling, Jeff Watson, Sean Enders, Keith Ravis, Jason Wagner, Don Capadagli, Willis Hotchkiss, and assistant coach Tom Ravis.



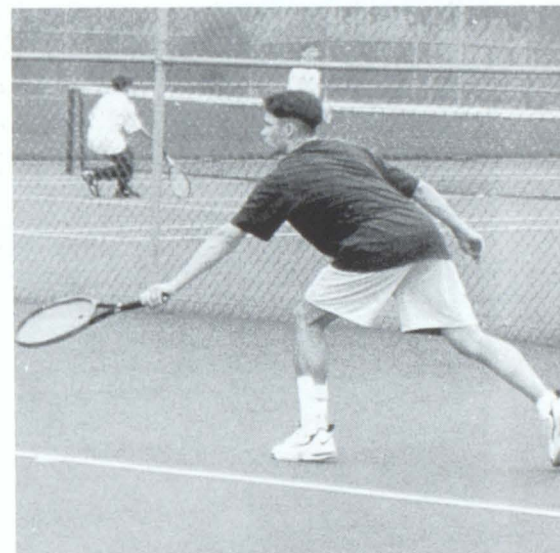
J.V. BOYS BASEBALL

Front Row: John Pitrucelle, Mike Bristol, Vinnie Winkler, Jeff Geremesz, Brent Gossett, Jim Lanvers.**Back Row:** Coach Mr. Dan Perkins, Mike Vigeron, Eddie Green, Andy Boyd, Evan Jarvi, Fred Makinen, and Noah Weiss.



FOLLOWING THROUGH...Rick Rank sends the ball back to the opposing team member.

ATTEMPTING TO BEAT THE... throw Vinnie Winkler races to first base.



NOT WANTING TO LOSE... control of the serve, Joe Funke reaches to return the volley.

AFTER GROUNDING THE BALL ...the team has to try diligently to get the ball to their first baseman. Evan Jarvi stretches to reach the ball before his opponent reaches the base.



Boys Tennis: Front Row: Rick Rank, Jeremy Woolcock, Jerry Thome, Rob Bruce, Dave Minter, Dave Danielson Second Row: Rick Bechill, Ben Clark, Ryan Gogolen, Tom Funke, Nick Schade Back Row: Gary Altman, Tony Bondy, Jon Solomon, Jamie Altman, Joe Funke, Matt Leaver, Mrs. Amy Click



"I think teamwork and experience from last year contributed to the success of the '96 season." Kate Dearie



Batter up

The Varsity softball team started off the season with new coaches. The team was coached by Denny York, Bob Sutton, and Steve Modrzejewski. Kim Steward said, "I think what helped me the most was joint coaching and Mr. Moe."

One strong game, was the game against Almont. "We played with only nine players and still won both of our games," said Kelly Hutchins. Another strong game, was the game against Yale. Algonac took the victory with a shutout 10 to 0.

The Varsity team finished the season with a record of 7 wins, 19 losses, and 1 tie.

The Varsity team worked hard all season but had some laughs also. "One funny thing that I will remember is, when Meredith forgot her glove and she had to wear a right handed glove on her left hand," said Erica Worthen. Lisa Prayerter added, "I will remember Coach Sutton and his mustard colored sweatpants."

Meanwhile JV softball was swinging the season away. The JV team was coached by Len Cichowski. "I think Mr. C. helped us a lot, he kept the intensity up," said Kate Dearie.

The JV team had some outstanding games. JV played and defeated Marine City 13 to 1, Marysville 15 to 6, and a double header against Almont 13 to 0 and 27 to 6. "My most memorable moment was when I pitched a no-hitter against Almont," said Melissa Trempler.

The JV also had some laughs during the season. "The funniest thing was when Annie Rockwood flashed our team," said Kate Dearie. Annie Rockwood added, "The funniest thing was the look on the girls faces when I flashed the team, and Mr. C. told me to keep my clothes on."

The JV team finished off the season with a record of 12 wins and 7 losses. Strong games dominated the season. In April, the team stunned South Lake 20 to 10 in 5 innings with a total of 17 hits. The team swept Armada in a double header with the final score of 16 to 11 and 14 to 8.



Varsity Softball: Front Row: Meredith Peterson, Kim Parsons, Tracy Wisswell, Desiree Mangiapane, Jayne Newlin, Carrie Stephenson, Erica Worthen. Back row: Coach Denny York, Kelly Hutchins, Kim Cadena, Tracey Stephenson, Kim Steward, Lisa Prayerter, Coach Steve Modrzejewski.



JV Softball: Front Row: Michelle Lupenski, Nicole DuVernay, Anne Rockwood, Erin Rickard, Liz Dearie, Tami Stewart, Stacey Bark. Back Row: coach Len Cichowski, Kate Dearie, Amy Solomon, Melissa Smith, Lisa DeLaere, Kristy Baumgartner, Theresa Rose, Jenny Sutton, Shana Cadena, Melissa Trempler.

MAKING THE TAG... Kelly Hutchins attempts to make a tag at third base at agame against Marysville. Algonac went on to lose a close game 8 to 9.



STEPPIN' UP... To bat Erica Worthen awaits patiently for her pitch.



ADDING ENCOURAGEMENT... Mr. Dennis York gives the Varsity team words of encouragement before going out to the field.

CONCENTRATING... Stacey Bark keeps her eye on the ball waiting for another strikeout to come her way.

PITCHING STRENGTH... "My most memorable moment is when I pitched a no-hitter against Marine City." Shana Cadena

EYE ON THE BALL... Kim Parsons waits for the pitch, hoping to hit for her team.



Setting the pace for the rats

"People should join track because it is a learning experience, they will make lots of friends, and they will remember it for the rest of their life." Lynn Mackie

Boys and girls dominate. The boys went 6-0 S.C.A.L. and 9-0 overall. For the girls, they were 6-0 in S.C.A.L. and 9-0 overall, making both teams undefeated. Both S.C.A.L. trophies are retired to the track showcases.

The boys were first in every outdoor track meet. The girls won the traditional

Muskrat Classic defeating River Rouge. Coach Dan Shafer said, "Despite all our success in the past, we have never won the Muskrat Classic. I was pleasantly surprised and happy with our team."

Eric Ellis broke the 200 meter dash record, the oldest in school history, with a time of 22.56 seconds.

State qualifiers for the boys included Jason Ford, Chris McCollom, Matt Stahl, Rick Hombaker, Gordy McCarty, Mike Hale, Charlie Houghten, Dustin Boyd, and Eric Ellis. State qualifiers for the girls were Megan Taylor, Sandy Harrington, Crystal Billiu, Cathy Piotrowski, and Sarah Nowicki.

Mr. Mark Simms and Mrs. Lori Katlein joined the girls team and Mr. Roger Avers retired saying: "I am going to be like Matt Stahl in the Olympic Torch Relay and pass the torch to Coach Taylor."

TRACK - BOYS

ALGONAC OPPONENT

| | | |
|----------------|-----|----|
| Lutheran North | 114 | 23 |
| Anchor Bay | 117 | 20 |
| SCS Lakeshore | 109 | 28 |
| SCS Lakeview | 118 | 29 |
| St. Clair | 128 | 35 |
| Richmond | 145 | 17 |
| Marysville | 88 | 75 |
| Imlay City | 128 | 24 |
| Marine City | 103 | 60 |

League Meets:

| | |
|-------------------------|-----|
| EMU | 6th |
| MSU | 2nd |
| Husky Relays | 1st |
| Anchor Bay Relays | 1st |
| Muskrat Classic | 1st |
| Marysville Invitational | 1st |
| SCAL League Meet | 1st |
| State Class B Regional | 1st |

overall 5 - 0

TRACK - GIRLS

ALGONAC OPPONENT

| | | |
|----------------|-------|------|
| Lutheran North | 90 | 38 |
| Anchor Bay | 78 | 50 |
| Lakeview | 97 | 31 |
| Lakeshore | 123 | 5 |
| St. Clair | 102.5 | 50.5 |
| Richmond | 127 | 25 |
| Marysville | 92 | 60 |
| Imlay City | 107 | 47 |
| Marine City | 99 | 53 |

| | |
|-------------------------|-----|
| Muskrat Classic | 1st |
| SCAL League Meet | 1st |
| Class B Regional Meet | 3rd |
| Husky Relays | 3rd |
| Anchor Bay Relays | 4th |
| Marysville Invitational | 4th |

overall: 9 - 0

Track: Front Row: Tanya Chetvertakova, Diana Latour, Ana Brown, Adrienne Fritz, Kate Budzinski, Andrea Taylor, Emily Lamb, Sheri Kowalski, Amanda Bowers Second Row: Coach Dan Shafer, Erin Springborn, Megan Taylor, Amy Howard, Lynn Mackie, Jennifer Peterson, Renee Woolcock, Nicole Rose, Dale Smith, Stephanie Stay, Coach Lori Katlein. Third Row: Jodie Mackie, Lori Smith, Julie Thompson, Shannon Morris, Amanda Hardy, Julie Walters, Angi Gerald, Marie Mitchell, Cassi Bommarito, Erin McNeely, Katy Basehore, Valerie Perin, Nicole Cameron, Nicole Quandt, Courtney Pioszak, Sarah Nowicki, Jennifer Lenik, Coach Mark Simms Back Row: Cathy Piotrowski, Alicia Wenz, Crystal Billiu, Kristy Medrano, Michelle Redmann, Chantelle Gendron, Amy Sampson, Sandy Harrington, Vicki Boyll, Sara Donaldson, Melody Love, Becki Besaw, Gabriela Giura, Jaime Curtis, Jackie Hoover, Kelly Savage, Shannon Allor, Heather Castle, Elisabeth Sullivan.



UP AND OVER... Clearing the bar, Sam Dobbs goes sky high in the pole vault with a best jump of 11 feet.





SPEED... Going out of the blocks in the 400, Jason Ford sprints his way to the finish.

LEAGUE LEADER... Leading the pack, Cathy Plotrowski sets the pace in the 3200 meter run.



SETTING THE PACE... Shannon Morris and Amy Howard help the team to win the Marine City dual meet in the 1600 meter run.



Track: Front Row: Shannon Caroland, Derek Walczak, Brian McCullough, Jason Gohl, Charlie Houghten, Eric Ellis, Matt Stahl, Bill Harper, Shaun Gendron, Joe Wallison, Mike Billiu Second Row: Rick Hombaker, Mike Hale, Robbie Bryson, Sam Dobbs, Dustin Boyd, Eric Miller, Chris McCollom, Jason Ford, Gordy McCarty, Eric Jarvi, Nick Duprey, Aaron Fritz, Rick Prudhomme, Loren Myny Back Row: Coach Roger Avers, Chris Hotchkiss, Jayson Breitmeyer, David Kavanaugh, Shawn Martin, Kevin Davis, Bill Finn, Pat Thomas, Jason Sramek, Justin Boychuk, Jeremy Gohl, James Kandler, Chad Wesch, Mike Jones, Coach Mike Taylor

"We had a very successful season and it was great to see the team improve and do 400% better than last year," said Head Coach Mike Sharrow.



Rats Attack With Confidence!

A new head coach and game plan led to the shattering of a 22-game losing streak that plagued the Muskrats for over two years. On September 27, St. Clair met defeat at the hands of the Muskrats who ran away with a 16-6 victory over the Saints. Senior tackle Eric Jarvi said: "It felt great to win our first game against St. Clair. I

think it changed the attitudes of the players and made everyone believe they could win."

The Rats were not done, however. Facing a strong Imlay City team, the Muskrats pulled out a spectacular 52-50 double-overtime victory with a gutsy call made by Coach Mike Sharrow. Needing a two point conversion, quarterback Keith Ravis ran a power option into the endzone. The team also went on to slay the Clintondale Dragons on Homecoming with a 26-14 win; and man-handled Lakeshore 30-18 to end the season on a great note.

Reflecting on the season, Keith Ravis said: "The team really pulled together this year. It was great to be on a team that never gave up and always gave 110%. The positive attitudes of the coaches really reflected on the players efforts this year. With the coaches and players working together, it was good to see the program turn around my senior year and for future years to come."

VARSITY FOOTBALL

ALGONAC OPPONENT

| | | |
|-------------|----|----|
| Yale | 28 | 41 |
| Marysville | 0 | 52 |
| Richmond | 25 | 38 |
| St. Clair | 16 | 6 |
| Imlay City | 52 | 50 |
| Clintondale | 26 | 14 |
| Dryden | 6 | 46 |
| Marine City | 6 | 41 |
| Lakeshore | 30 | 18 |

overall: 4 - 5



Varsity Football: Front Row: Carey Larabee, Chad Wesch, Jeff Watson, Jason DeSot, Keith Ravis, Eric Jarvi, Don Capadagli, Mike Wilhelm, Fred Makinen, Willis Hotchkiss Second Row: Coach Sam Dobbs, Mike Bender, Paul LaBelle, Jim Lanvers, Bobby Schrader, Jeff

DeSot, Todd Lang, Ray Clark, Gary Altman, Ron Burns, Brian Meldrum Back Row: Coach Dave Kochan, Hector DeSaedelee, Adam Henderson, Shawn Martin, Evan Jarvi, Sam Dobbs, Don Schwehofer, Don Maes, Jason Irwin, Jamie Altman, Coach Mike Sharrow.



ANALYZING THE PREVIOUS PLAY... coaches Tom Ravis, Mike Sharrow, and Dave Kochan are always a step ahead of the competition.



AIMING AT THE ENDZONE... Keith Ravis looks to complete yet another amazing pass as Brian Meldrum pass protects.

FOCUSING ON ANOTHER SIX POINTS... sophomore full-back, Noah Weiss breaks away from the Clintondale defense to lengthen the muskrats lead.



UP ENDED... Hector DeSaedeeler holds on to the ball to gain needed yardage for a first down.



MAKING AN OPEN FIELD TACKLE... Jason DeSot stops his opponents drive towards the endzone.

"Based on recent years, this season was a big improvement. Hopefully, all members of the football team will work hard in off-season and set even higher goals such as striving to reach the high school playoffs." Dan Gilbertson.



Overcoming Obstacles

Even though most J.V. football players do not drive, they had to steer around many obstacles this season. Injuries and players moving up were major ones. Ben Coomer said, "It was hard to keep a positive attitude and keep trying after we lost a few key players."

JV FOOTBALL

| ALGONAC | OPPONENT | |
|-------------|----------|----|
| Yale | 19 | 14 |
| Marysville | 6 | 46 |
| Richmond | 14 | 13 |
| St. Clair | 0 | 44 |
| Imlay City | 0 | 16 |
| Clintondale | 46 | 14 |
| Marine City | 14 | 8 |
| Lakeshore | 18 | 26 |

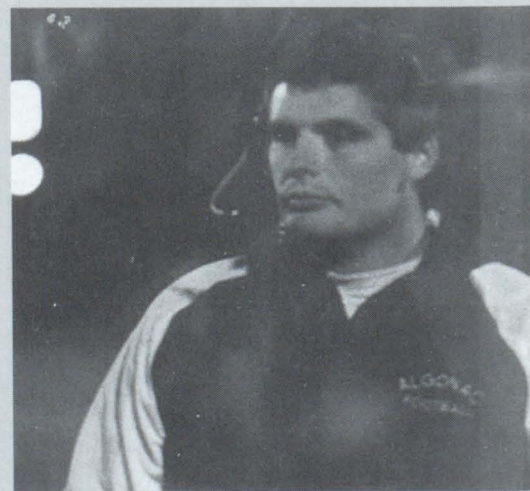
overall: 4 - 8

In spite of problems, J.V. passed a 4-4 over-all record, and a 2-3 record in the S.C.A.L. The rats began the season with a 14-6 victory over the Bulldogs. Two games later, they won a battle against Richmond, 14-13. "It was exciting to kick the field goal against Richmond in the closing seconds, because I knew we sealed our victory," said Sam Dobbs. The team beat Clintondale with a score of 46-14 and won a tough battle against Marine City, 14-8. Team captains were Joe Bertrand, Anthony D'Ambrosio, and Dave Fullington. Key receivers were: Ken Dandron, Andy Boyd, and Zac Sharrow. Leading tackler, Dave Fullington, helped anchor the Muskrats defense.

"With the number of players on the team, everyone had valuable playing time. This will lead to a successful program in the future," replied Coach Mark Simms.



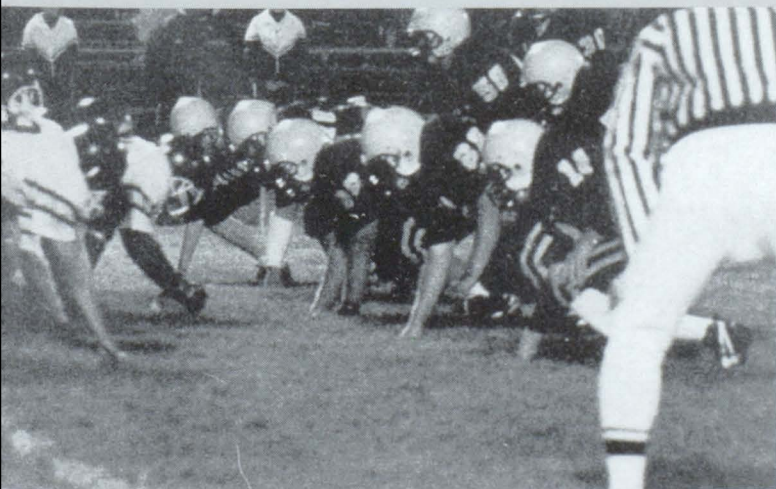
JV Football: Front row: Anthony D'Ambrosio, Joe Bertrand, Ken Dandron, Andy Boyd, Dave Fullington, Joe Barnes, Ben Coomer, Gary Altman, Second Row: Coach Mark Simms, Pat Long, Nathan Rhadigan, John Gerds, Tom Spruytte, Joe Werner, Noah DeLange, Coach Dan Gilbertson Back Row: Jamie Altman, Rob Sampier, Zac Sharrow, Dave Kavanaugh, Sam Dobbs, Don Schweihofer, and Don Maes



STRATEGY PLANNING... Coach Mark Simms is determined to get another victory.

ROLLING OUT... of the pocket, Sam Dobbs tries to find a open man while avoiding tacklers.

OUT RUNNING... the Imlay City defense, Sam Dobbs breaks away for a big gain.



INTIMIDATING... the Imlay City offense, the Muskrat defense lines up.



ON A PUNT RETURN... Zac Sharrow and Anthony D'Ambrosio move to catch the ball for additional yardage.

Assistant coach Tom Ravis and quarterback Nick Matzak talk about the next play.



Early season wins vs. late season losses Freshman learn teamwork

New Head coach Dan Salyer and second year Assistant Coach Tom Ravis led the Freshman Football team to their 1-6-1 final record. Their first match-up was against Imlay City. They played an overall great game and defeated them 26-0.

Their second and most exciting game was against Richmond. They battled it out and ended up with a tie, 0-0. "This was one of our strongest games because everyone played their positions correctly," said Coach Salyer.

On a roll, the team felt they could keep up with the other leading programs, but were disappointed by their last six games. "We should of done much better, but learned a lot about our positions and won a game this year," said Nick Matzka.

All of the guys, whether they won or lost, gave it their best shot. "I thought our season was alright even though we lost a lot, we still worked hard," said Adi Daogaru.

Teamwork is the key to great things, and that is one thing this team has got. There were also many individual players who contributed to the program. Shane Trempler was the brains of the outfit, Joe Justin was a great defensive back, and Chris Uleski was a key running back to this freshman team. "We improved, or it was said we improved, over the last year. I think we'll continue to see this improvement over the next year," said Coach Salyer.

FRESHMEN FOOTBALL

| ALGONAC | OPPONENT | |
|-----------------|----------|----|
| Imlay City | 26 | 0 |
| Richmond | 0 | 0 |
| St. Clair | 16 | 28 |
| Marysville | 6 | 41 |
| Chippewa Valley | 6 | 52 |
| Anchor Bay | 6 | 48 |
| Marine City | 12 | 48 |
| Marine City | 20 | 38 |

overall: 1 - 6 - 1

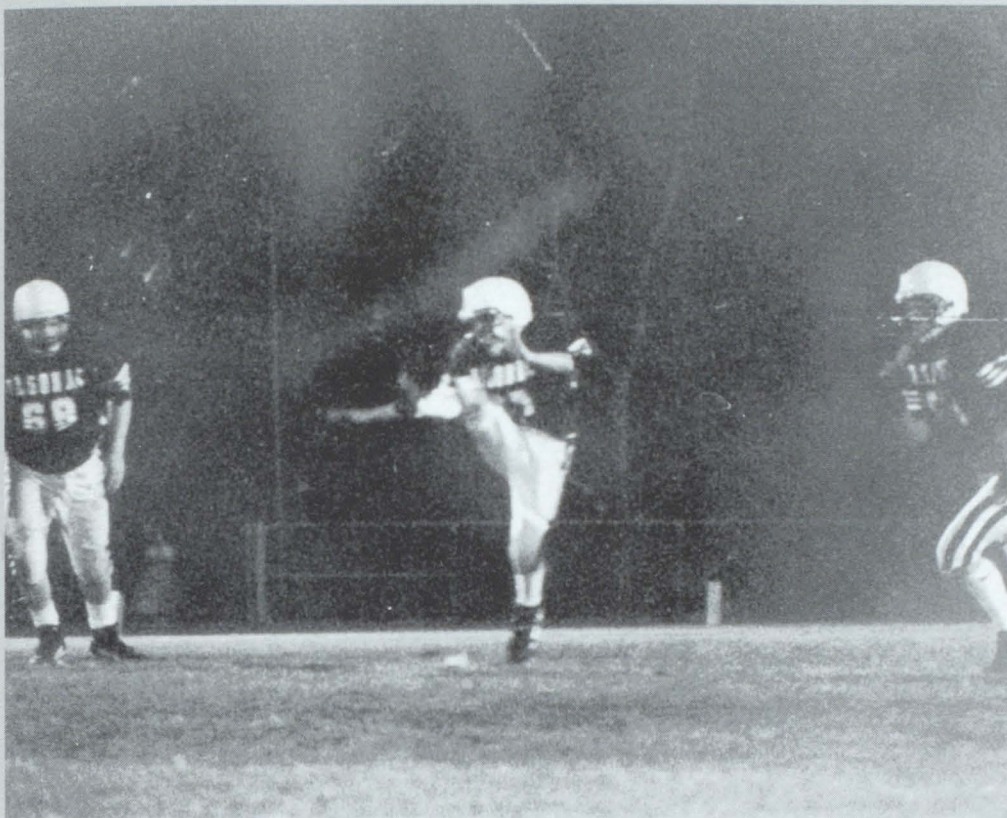


Freshman Football: Front Row: James Elliot, David Bishop, Joe Burns, Adrian Daogaru, Paul Meldrum, Justin Trafford, Matthew Maloney, Tom Palmer Second Row: Coach Tom Ravis, Chris Uleski, Joey Treppa, Richard Bushor, Richard Carithers, Joseph Justin, Nick Matzka, Ted Berger Back Row: John Henderson, Robert Starr, Kevin Meldrum, Charles Hines, Shane Trempler, Scott Stay, Michael, Michael Caiger, Coach Dan Salyer



YARDAGE... Adding yards, Chris Uleski runs the ball aiming for a first down.

KICKING OFF... The defense plans to keep the ball out of Anchor Bay's hands to prevent a first down.

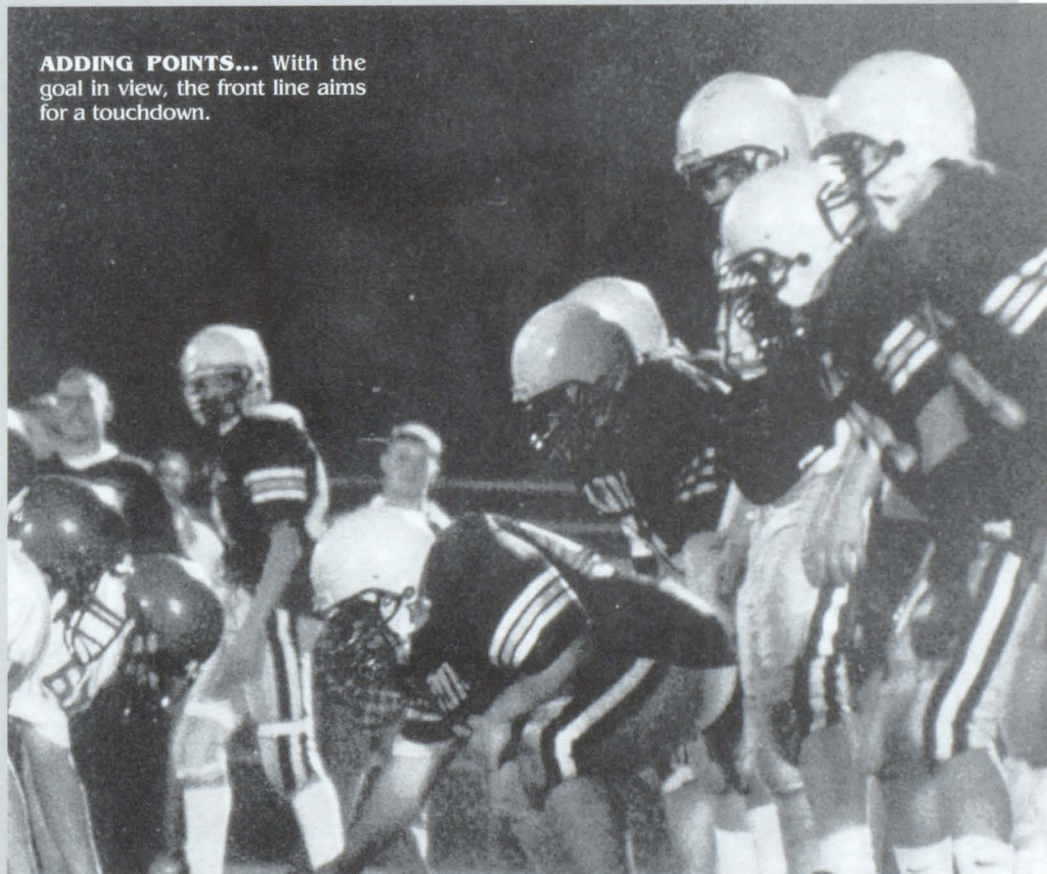


SIDELINE ENCOURAGEMENT... Joe Trep-pa, John Henderson, and Mike Gohl work to keep the team fired up.

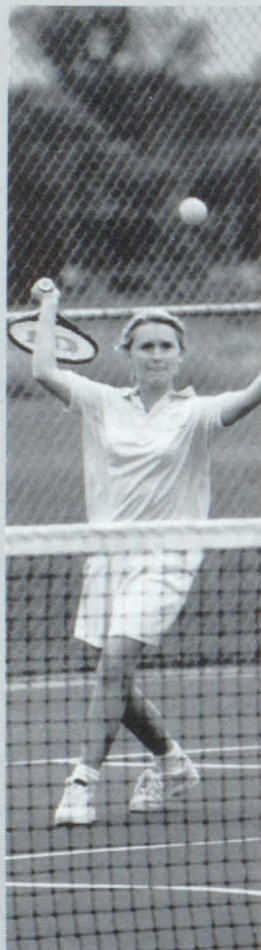


RUSHING THE BALL... Running back, Chris Uleski attempts a touchdown to add six points to the Rat's score.

ADDING POINTS... With the goal in view, the front line aims for a touchdown.



"My first year of tennis here was fun, I liked the people I played with, they were nice."
Amy Hutchins



Staying above the net

As practice started in late July, the tennis team united. With Mrs. Paula Johnson as coach, and Barb Wisswell and Stephanie Zryd as co captains, the team beat Clintondale and Dakota 8 - 0 both matches.

Other matches provided some challenges. Barb Wisswell felt that this may have been due to having fewer players on the team this year than in the past.

Coach Paula Johnson felt that the girls "worked hard together and work hard at the positions that they earned."

One change was the switch from the SCAL to MAC. The first year record in the MAC was 2 wins and 10 losses. Amelia Kreilter felt that "more focus needed to be on exhibition than line up because most line up players knew what they were doing."

The girls never gave up. They were out on the courts during many cold, windy days trying their hardest. As a whole, the team may not have had many wins, yet individually a lot of the players did very well. Two years ago Stephanie Zryd was an average exhibition player and is now succeeding in her matches as the teams first singles player. Carrie Bechill, a first year team member, said her first win made her feel excited and happy because she worked so hard to improve.

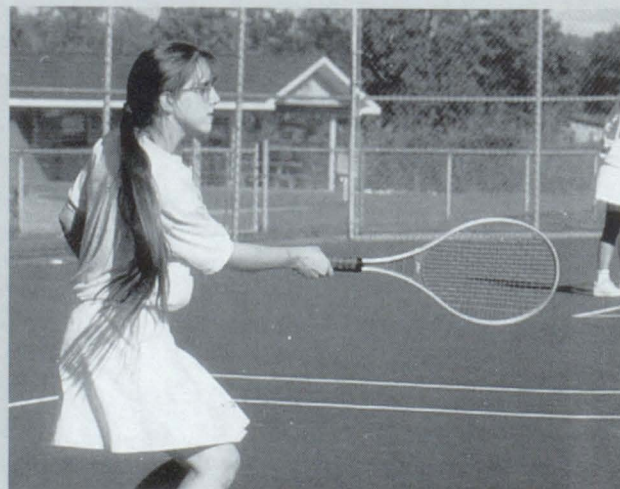
TENNIS

| ALGONAC | OPPONENT | |
|--------------|----------|-----|
| East Detroit | 1 | 7 |
| WWT | 0 | 8 |
| Clintondale | 8 | 0 |
| Marysville | 1 | 7 |
| Imlay City | 0 | 8 |
| Dakota | 8 | 0 |
| Cros Lex | 0 | 8 |
| Lakeview | 1 | 7 |
| Armada | 4 | 4.5 |
| Fitzgerald | 3 | 5 |
| Marysville | 2.5 | 5.5 |
| South Lake | 0 | 8 |

overall: 2 - 10



Tennis: Front Row: Jocie Higgins, Amy Hutchins, Sun Oak Kim, Erin Richardson. Second Row: Renee Bauer, Kelly Hutchins, Brie Budzinski, Jaime Curtis. Back Row: Beth Cortis, Carrie Bechill, Marie Mitchell, Stephanie Zryd, Melissa Pauwels, Sheri Altman, Coach Paula Johnson.



CONCENTRATION ... Focusing on her swing, Jaime Curtis follows through to return the ball.

ACURATE SERVES... Serving is a key part in a tennis match, Barb Wisswell serves the ball with speed and accuracy.



MATCH POINT... After her opponent returns the ball, Melissa Pauwels smashes it back for a point.



ADDING POINTS... Keeping her eye on the ball, Carrie Bechill completes her swing while adding some speed to earn a point.

FOLLOW THROUGH... Following through with her swing, Brie Budzinski goes for the ball along with another win.



SPECIAL AWARDS... To end the season, a banquet was held at Pizza Hut where special awards were given and memories were shared. Coach Johnson, Sheri Altman, Jaime Curtis, Melissa Pauwels, Stephanie Zryd, Brie Budzinski, Amy Hutchins, Beth Cortis, Carrie Bechill, Erin Richardson, Renee Bauer, Barb Wisswell, and Kelly Hutchins.

Roger Avers keeps track of the points and waits to see the final outcome, at the MAC blue division tournament. The outcome was - the girls took first and the guys took second.



Muskrats race to victory

Success was spelled out for the first year in the MAC. The cross country team, coached by Roger Avers was the first sport in the history of Algonac to win the MAC championship title. Practice for the team started in early July and ended in November. The season was filled with hard work, sacrifice, and dedication.

Girls were extremely successful. The captains were Georgi Wenckovski and Lynn Mackie. They posted five perfect scores and won all the dual meets. They also were

first in the Muskrat classic, and the MAC blue division meet. The girls made it to the state finals for the eighth time out of the twelve years. Cathy Piotrowski won all state honors and all state academic title.

Gordy McCarty and Loren Myny were captains for the boys team. The boys also met success. The boys won all but one of their dual meets. The boys took first place in the Shamrock and Centerline Invitationals. Loren Myny and Rick Horbaker were state finalists. Rick received the all states honor.

Looking at the season, Erica Worthen said: "Running knee deep in mud, in rain and two feet deep puddles at the Muskrat Classic." A massive downpour along with thousands of feet trampling led to the destruction of the course after the Classic. Coach Avers response to the season, "I was very elated about the teams and the individual accomplishments."

| CROSS COUNTRY | | |
|----------------|----|----------|
| BOYS -ALGONAC | | OPPONENT |
| Anchor Bay | 24 | 31 |
| Centerline | 17 | 39 |
| Marysville | 24 | 31 |
| Lakeshore | 16 | 47 |
| LC North | 15 | 50 |
| Clintondale | 15 | 50 |
| St. Clair | 18 | 45 |
| WW Tower | 25 | 33 |
| Roseville | 18 | 48 |
| overall: 8 - 1 | | |
| Girls: | | |
| Anchor Bay | 23 | 36 |
| Centerline | 15 | 50 |
| Marysville | 19 | 42 |
| Lakeshore | 17 | 46 |
| LC North | 15 | 49 |
| Clintondale | 15 | 50 |
| St. Clair | 18 | 41 |
| WW Tower | 15 | 50 |
| Roseville | 15 | 50 |
| overall: 9 - 0 | | |



Cross Country: Front Row: Erica Worthen, Sandra Harrington, Coach Roger Avers, Crystal Billiu, Joy Morris, Susan Peterson Back Row: Cathy Piotrowski, Shannon Morris, Lynn Mackie, Christina Mahac, Justine Raymond, Chantelle Gendron, Georgi Wenckovski



Cross Country: Front Row: Matt Bruce, Brian McCullough, Jeremy Woolcock, Phil Clark Second Row: Roy Heron, Rick Hornbaker, Loren Myny, Chris Zamborowski, Robbie Bryson Back Row: Josh Burr, Chris Laux, Bill Finn, Jeremy Gohl, Gordy McCarty, Jason Gontarek Coach Roger Avers



A STEP AHEAD Susie Peterson and Crystal Billiu run through the trees at East China park staying a step ahead of a St. Clair.



CHAMPIONS... Excited, exhausted, cold, but happy the girls capture the MAC Blue division title at Metro Beach.



DETERMINED... Loren Myny, Rick Hornbaker, Roy Heron, and Gordy McCarty struggle up the hill.

REGIONALS... Shannon Morris strides to the finish line at state regionals. The team placed



EXHAUSTION... Robbie Bryson and Josh Burr come out of the woods showing the strain of the race.

FRONT OF THE PACK... The varsity boys race to get to the front Marysville Invitational where they took fourth place.

Towards the end of the basketball season the Varsity Basketball team played more as a team than individuals. Amy Howard



Shootin' Hoops

What a year for the girls basketball team. This is not just another team, it's a group of friends. "Everyone on the team is very supportive of each other in and out of the gym," said Sarah Nowicki.

Practice began in August. Coach Gigi Cohoon said, "I stressed defense the most, practice was up tempo and there was good parental support."

Fan turnout at the games increased leading to a positive outlook. The bleachers began to fill up and the crowd cheered them on.

The new MAC led to positive experiences and some challenges with new competition. "The fourth quarter is the high point of the games and the girls always become more aggressive," said Kim Steward. Amy Briskey was the only senior on the team. At times, "I feel like a loner" she said.

The team ended the season with a record of 6 wins and 15 losses placing 7th in the MAC league. End of season award winners were: All Conference MAC Gold, MVP - Melissa Trempler Honorable Mention - Kim Steward Best Defense — Amy Howard Coaches Award - Amy Briskey

Varsity Basketball

| ALGONAC | | OPPONENT |
|-------------|----|----------|
| Marine City | 34 | 57 |
| Roseville | 32 | 65 |
| Anchor Bay | 29 | 41 |
| South Lake | 27 | 44 |
| Centerline | 35 | 50 |
| Lakeview | 31 | 37 |
| Clintondale | 56 | 42 |
| Warren Mott | 42 | 49 |
| Dakota | 46 | 40 |
| Lakeshore | 42 | 51 |
| Fitzgerald | 39 | 27 |
| Lincoln | 31 | 47 |
| South Lake | 49 | 46 |
| Centerline | 38 | 37 |
| Clintondale | 32 | 39 |
| Lakeview | 22 | 49 |
| Lakeshore | 57 | 66 |
| Warren Mott | 29 | 33 |
| Fitzgerald | 34 | 23 |
| Lincoln | 39 | 43 |
| Marine City | 32 | 51 |

overall: 6 - 15



Varsity Basketball: Front Row: Kate Dearie, Elizabeth Dearie Second Row: Erika Martin, Megan Taylor, Melissa Trempler, Kim Steward, Amy Howard Back Row: Shana Cadena, Sarah Nowicki, Christina Coughlin, Amy Briskey, Katie Atherton, Coach Gigi Cohoon





ADDING TWO... Dribbling her way down the court, Kim Steward aims for another basket.

BLOCKING... Megan Taylor blocks her opponent in a good defense move as she catches a pass.



OPEN MAN... Keeping the ball away from the other team, Melissa Trempler looks for one of her teammates.

THREE POINTER... Adding more points to the score board, Amy Howard shoots a three pointer.

DEFENSIVELY SPEAKING... Melissa Trempler, Megan Taylor, and Sarah Nowicki play tough defense against their opponents.



Muskrats turn out a winning season

"We did really well, we worked good as a team and we all were friends so it made playing fun." Nicole DuVernay.



With only two returning players, JV entered the MAC coached by Mr. Michael Taylor. The girls accomplished his goal to organize the players as a team. "They are a great group of kids, with the potential for varsity next year if they want it," said Coach Taylor.

This the first all sophomore team that Coach Taylor has worked with since he started coaching. Unfortunately, the team was not able to attend basketball camp

over the summer due to commitments of some of the players. That doesn't mean that the team didn't work hard at practices. "We did a lot of conditioning and fundamentals. It was hard, but rewarding," said Kristy Medrano.

The Lady Muskrats played a strong season with their biggest victory at home over Lakeshore, 53 - 47. "Because we lost the first game against them, when we played again at home, it was really great because we overcame the faults and reached our goal," said Holly Estapa.

Competing in the MAC was different compared to the SCAL. "We had never played any of these teams before. It was a lot more competitive and we had to travel a lot further," said Sara Donaldson. The team ended the season 9 - 7 in the division.

JV BASKETBALL

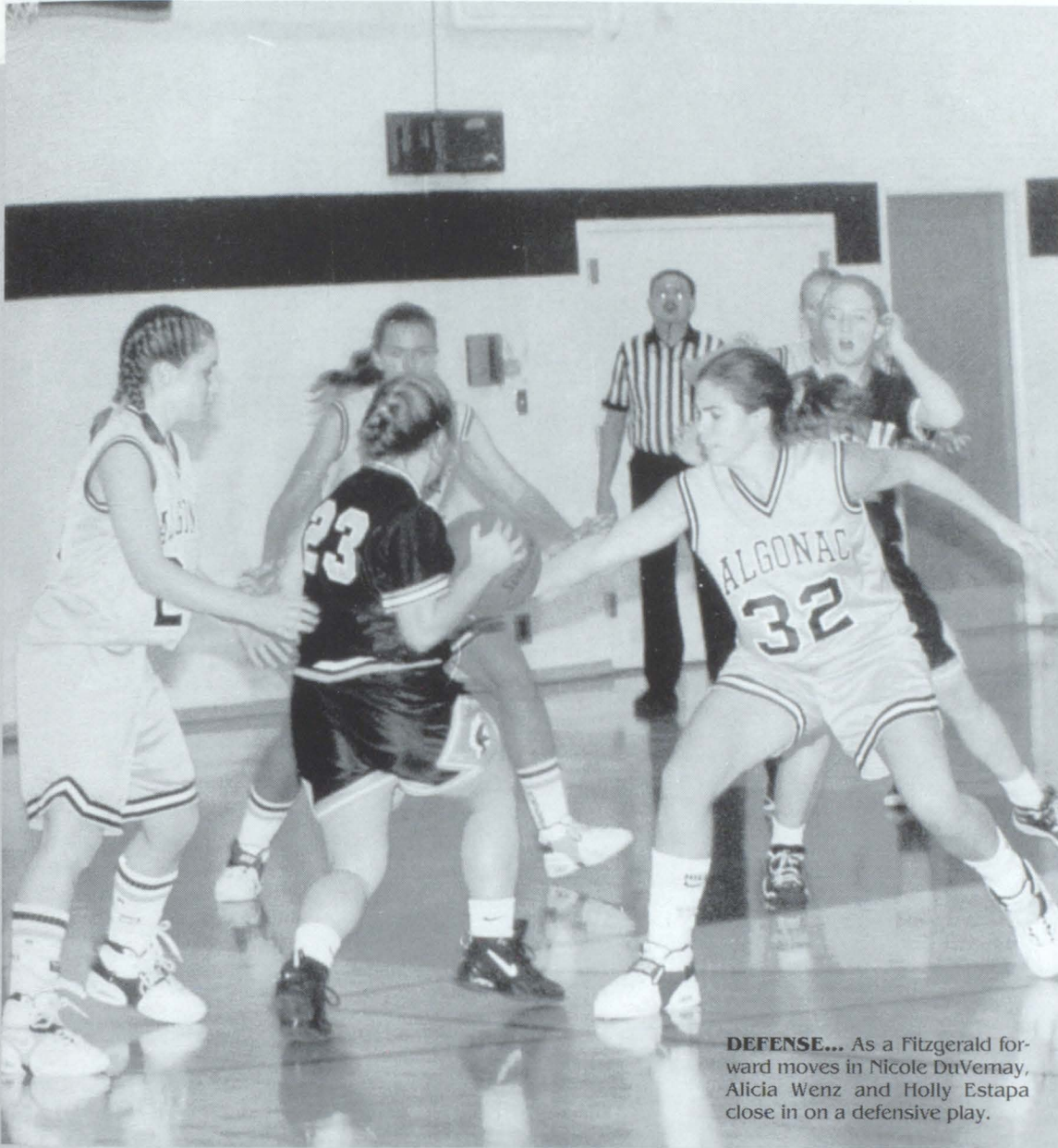
ALGONAC

| | | OPPONENT |
|-------------|--------|----------|
| Marine City | 26 | 68 |
| Roseville | 51 | 17 |
| Anchor Bay | 44 | 35 |
| South Lake | 46 | 37 |
| Centerline | 39 | 38 |
| Clintondale | 57 | 38 |
| Lakeview | 33 | 52 |
| Warren Mott | 14 | 52 |
| Dakota | 44 | 20 |
| Lakeshore | 50 | 56 |
| Fitzgerald | 43 | 18 |
| Lincoln | 34 | 57 |
| South Lake | 46 | 25 |
| Centerline | 44 | 23 |
| Clintondale | 60 | 46 |
| Lakeview | 28 | 55 |
| Warren Mott | 24 | 46 |
| Lakeshore | 53 | 47 |
| Fitzgerald | 44 | 34 |
| Lincoln | 33 | 44 |
| overall: | 11 - 9 | |



JV Girls Basketball Front Row: Melody Love, Alicia Wenz, Amy Sampson, Vicki Boyll, Nicole DuVernay Back Row: Coach Mike Taylor, Holly Estapa, Morgan Bell, Sara Donaldson, Kristy Medrano, Erin Rickard





DEFENSE... As a Fitzgerald forward moves in Nicole DuVernay, Alicia Wenz and Holly Estapa close in on a defensive play.

REBOUND... Holly Estapa does a toss up as Nicole DuVernay and Sara Donaldson wait with Fitzgerald players for the rebound.



FOUL... Alicia Wenz shoots from the free throw line for another point on the board against Fitzgerald.

DETERMINATION... Anxiously watching their teammates Morgan Bell, Kristy Medrano, Melody Love, Amy Sampson and Vicki Boyll give encouragement as Mr. Mike Taylor coaches.



Danielle Murray said, "I thought this year went well we worked harder than last year and I feel we improved. It was a lot of fun."

Learning the ropes

Starting off with a small number, the freshman girls team began competing in the M.A.C. Led by new coach, Mrs. Sue Rank, the team experienced a good season. Coach Rank said, "This is my first time coaching for freshman basketball and I am very happy to play a role in the Basketball program at Algonac High School."

"The most memorable moment was when Carmen made her 3 pointer," said player Krystal Brisse. Carmen Goerlich said, "Our most memorable game was beating Imlay City by 12 points."

The girls gave it their best, by playing hard against many strong and difficult teams. Their practices were tough and they tried as best they could. This was shown throughout the season because their strongest point was their willingness to play together as a team. The freshman girls basketball team agreed with Heather Durkee when she said, "This was a change from middle school basketball, and it's more aggressive playing on a high school team."

With impressive wins over teams including Romeo, Marine City, Marysville, and Port Huron Northern, the freshman team continued to learn and build their playing ability for the upcoming junior varsity team.

FRESHMAN GIRLS BASKETBALL

| ALGONAC | OPPONENT | |
|---------------------|----------|----|
| Port Huron | 18 | 32 |
| Imlay City | 21 | 27 |
| Richmond | 21 | 30 |
| Port Huron Northern | 16 | 47 |
| Marysville | 15 | 41 |
| Marine City | 33 | 38 |
| Romeo | 26 | 43 |
| St. Clair | 10 | 47 |
| Grosse Pointe South | 14 | 25 |
| Port Huron | 16 | 23 |
| Imlay City | 41 | 30 |
| Richmond | 31 | 32 |
| Port Huron Northern | 20 | 32 |
| Marysville | 23 | 27 |
| Marine City | 25 | 19 |
| Romeo | 22 | 28 |



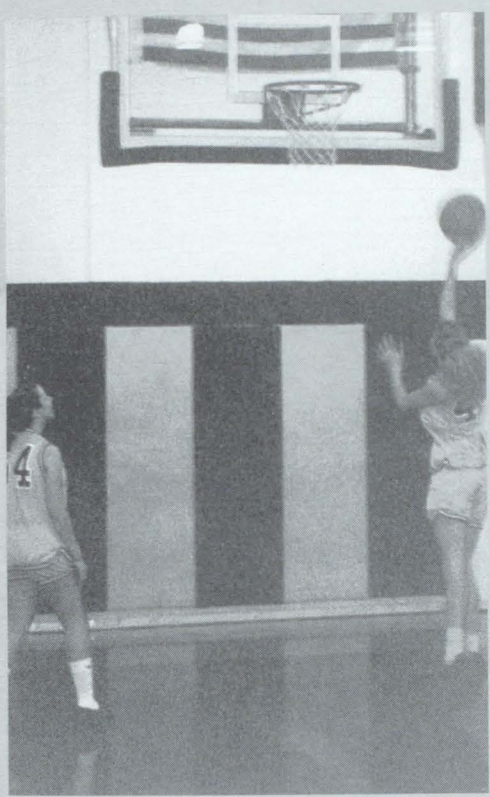
THE FRESHMEN GIRLS BASKETBALL TEAM...Front Row: Jessica Baumgartner, Krystal Brisse, Dorothy Glaze, Jessica Bark, Carmen Goerlich Back Row: Heather Durkee, Brooke Langdon, Ashley Langdon, Kristin Schrader, Danielle Murray, Mrs. Susan Rank



HUDDLE AT HALF TIME...The girls get a quick tip from their coach and get their game faces back on.

DRIBBLE, PASS, SHOT...Christen Schrader and Danielle Murray get ready while practicing for an upcoming game.

SCOARING THE SKY...Driving to the basket Kristen Schrader goes for a right lay-up.



COACHES COMENTS...Sue Rank, the new freshmen girls coach worked hard with the girls this season.



DENYING THE BALL...Playing strong defense Danielle Murray helped the team defeat Imlay City.

"It was a fun season. I can't wait until next year." Rick Rank



Kicking off the first season

First year teams usually start off with a rough beginning season, but the story for soccer team is different one. The team proved to be one of the best in the area and also the only co-ed. It was our boys and girls vs. the other team's boys. The team still went on to win all but two games. They only lost to St. Clair and Lutheran North. Later in the season, they came back to beat Lutheran North and advanced to the districts finishing the season with a 7-2 record.

SOCCER

| ALGONAC | OPPONENT |
|------------------|----------|
| Lutheran North 0 | 4 |
| MAC Christian 7 | 3 |
| Marine City 4 | 3 |
| Lutheran North 2 | 1 |
| Marine City 3 | 2 |
| St. Clair 3 | 2 |
| Marysville 3 | 2 |
| St. Clair 1 | 5 |

overall: 6 - 2

Ms. Kathleen Mellon, Head Coach, said "I was surprised by their success." One reason for the success of soccer at the high school level was having a lot of players come from AYSO teams over the summer. "I have been playing since 5th grade," said Mary Belemonti.

Soccer began when a number of students and parents petitioned for the school to have a team. Parents went to the athletic director who then gave the codes to follow as a club and scheduled the team. The next step was getting a volunteer coach and twenty players. They gained all that. Ms. Mellon volunteered to coach on her own time. The players committed to buying their own jerseys and paying for the officials. Now the team has to play for another year to become a sport. Then the school will pay for the costs and it will become a Varsity school sponsored sport.



SOCCER TEAM Front Row: Brent Steveson, Marty Belemoth, Rick Rank, Allen Chwan, Jennifer Peterson, Gary Haack, Heather Castle Second Row: Coach Kathleen Mellon, Thomas Belemonti, Jon Pitrucelle, Brandon Rank, Nicole Rose, Stephanie Stay, Brent Gossett, Amanda Sharrow Back Row: Mike Vigneron, Rick Prudhomme, Felipe Ribeiro, John Basehore, Aaron Fritz, Rusty McCone, Ed Green, David Minter



IT'S OUTTA HERE... John Basehore sends a whopping "good-bye" by kicking the ball out of the defensive zone.



WITH STRONG WILL... John Pitruccelle outmaneuvers MAC Christian to beat them 7-3.

TAKE IT AWAY... Ed Green uses fancy footwork to stomp Marine City.



SMOOTH ATTACK... Blowing away Marine City, Marty Belemonti runs the ball right through.



QUICK ON HIS FEET... Rick Prudhomme chips the ball around his opponent.

CHEEZ IT !

VARSITY CHEERS FOR THE DREAM !

For both football and basketball season the Varsity Cheerleaders accomplished a lot of new things. They have also participated in many fundraisers and took part in some community service. "I thought it was really cool when we pulled together and bought Christmas gifts for families in need," said Nicole Cameron.

For the first time the cheerleaders attended what is called the "BEAST" session at Champion Cheerleading Camp. This is a four day camp which teaches you new material, new voice, jump, and cheering techniques, and many helpful tricks to make the season fun and memorable. Champion is also a Varsity only, competitive oriented camp which is a lot harder than regular camp sessions. "The girls are working with very difficult stunts and have improved a great deal since camp. I am very proud of all their accomplishments," said Coach Sue Zelenock.

Once basketball season began, the cheerleaders were busy making up words, moves, jumps, and stunts to put in their three competition cheers. Along with perfecting these cheers, cheering at basketball games, and having Saturday practices these girls put in a lot of hard work and dedication. "Being a captain gave me experience in leadership and to know the feeling of hard, successful work," said Dale Smith.

Most people do not understand what competitive cheerleading is all about. Basically it is like any other sport. There are certain rules you must follow and if you break the rules then you get disqualified. "Competition is the best part of cheerleading. Instead of cheering for everyone else you're the one being cheered for. It takes a lot of hard work, strategy, and hours of practice. In the end you feel like you've completed a great performance," said Lauren Petre.



VARSITY CHEERLEADING: Front Row: Jessica Houf, Amanda Hardy, Annie Rockwood. Second Row: Margeaux Peters, Nicole Quandt. Third Row: Stephanie Stay, Teressa Zelenock, Dale Smith. Back Row: Assistant Coach Theresa Lenczewski, Courtney Pioszak, Katherine Basehore, Lauren Petre, Nicole Cameron, Nichole Houf, Coach Sue Zelenock.

RAISING THE SPIRIT...Courtney Pioszak and Jessica Houf yell a crowd line to get the team fired up at the Homecoming game.



FLYING HIGH...Amanda Hardy is put into an extension by Nichole Houf, Lauren Petre, and Nicole Cameron while the rest of the team pumps up the crowd at the Palace.

VARSITY CHEERLEADING: *Front Row:* Lauren Petre, Nichole Houf, Dale Smith, Stephanie Stay. *Second Row:* Margeaux Peters, Amanda Hardy, Sarah Keller, Stacie Parsons, Annie Rockwood. *Third Row:* Coach Sue Zelenock, Courtney Pioszak, Nicole Cameron, Teresa Zelenock, Assistant Coach Theresa Lenczewski.

POSING FOR A QUICK PICTURE... Nichole Houf, Katherine Basehore, and Sarah Keller smile big before the Imlay City game.



SWOOSH... Dale Smith, Courtney Pioszak, Stephanie Stay, and Margeaux Peters demonstrate the all-powerful, foul shot, good luck charm.

ROCKIN' THE GYM... The Varsity girls cheer on the basketball team with the help of the crowd.

FOOTBALL J.V. CHEERLEADERS: Front row: Samantha Hallman, Amanda Puranen Second row: Jackie Bolia, Sarah Cooper, Stacie Sniezik Third row: Erin Turner, Sarah Prudhomme, Sara Claerhout, Janelle Rochon Back row: Coach Debbie Stevenson, Jackie Hoover, Sarah Drake, and Brandy Hathaway.



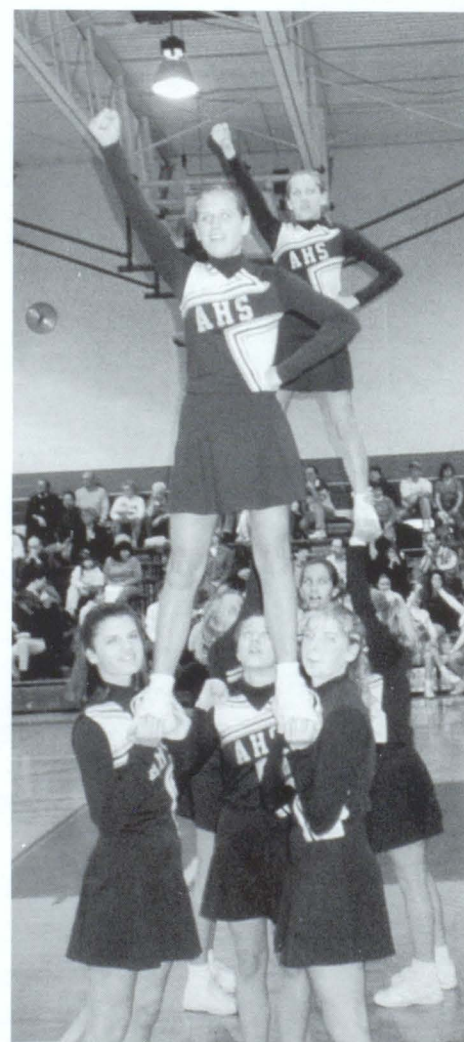
FIRE UP... During time out, Heather Castle puts Janelle Rochon up in shoulder stand to get crowd pumped.



**JUST CHIL-
LIN'...** Cheer-
leaders goof
around be-
fore Algonac
at St. Clair
game.



READY-SET-GO... The cheerleaders wait for chant to be called during Mt. Clemons at Algonac game.



TRUST... Sarah Prudhomme and Sarah Cooper trust the rest of the cheerleaders enough to put them up that high!

GO-FIGHT-WIN... During halftime, the cheerleaders get the crowd pumped for the second half of the game.

J.V. JAMS!

J.V. cheerleaders take school Spirit all the way

"I love cheerleading!" said Heather Castle

The Junior Varsity cheerleading squad came out this year with a bang! With a new coach, they competed for the very first time during basketball season. Also, they wore different uniforms for basketball.

The J.V. squad competed in two competitions. The first competition was held at Romeo High called the Oakland-Macomb Open. They placed sixth out of seven teams. The second competition was the MAC Regionals. Where, again, they placed sixth, but out of eight teams.

"Competition is fun and a great experience. It helps us practice and see what we need to improve on," said Jackie Hoover.

The new Junior Varsity cheerleading coach is Miss Debbie Stevenson. She is also a new teacher at Algonac High School. She said, "Coaching these girls was a lot of fun, and it was quite busy!"

"We went to competition and did pretty good, considering it was being our first time." said Sarah Drake.



"Being a cheerleader this year has been really fun. I got a chance to be captain during basketball season, and meet new people." - Sarah Drake



HEY EVERYBODY... Cheerleaders show their spirit at a close game.

BASKETBALL JV CHEERLEADERS: Front Row: Sarah Drake, Second Row: Jenelle Rochon, Amanda Puranen, Third Row: Jackie Hoover, Heather Castle, Stacie Sniezek, Back Row: Miss Debbie Stevenson, Nicole Stevens, Sarah Prudhomme, Sarah Cooper.

"This year's team had its ups and downs. We ended the season on an extremely high note. We finished as Regional Runners-up, which is the furthest any wrestling team has advanced in Algonac history. We are extremely proud of all the wrestlers and their accomplishments." Coach Dave Kochan



Mat Rats invade MAC

Over the past few seasons, the wrestling team has proven itself to be a team to reckon with throughout the league and area. After moving out of the SCAL and into the MAC Blue Division this year, the Rats were determined to make a run towards the league championship. Also joining the tradition is assistant coach Dan Salyer. Coach Salyer brings much experience to the mats after wrestling for 5 years at Western State College in Colorado.

WRESTLING

ALGONAC OPPONENT

| | |
|---------------------|-------|
| Utica | 48-30 |
| Lutheran North | 68-12 |
| Fitzerald | 55-19 |
| L'anse Cruse | 50-30 |
| Sterling Heights | 36-4 |
| Birmingham Seaholm | 31-40 |
| Cousino | 50-21 |
| Anchor Bay | 54-19 |
| Imlay City | 31-38 |
| Port Huron | 38-27 |
| Marlette | 68-10 |
| Marysville | 34-31 |
| Cousino | 49-21 |
| Grosse Pointe South | 66-13 |
| Dakota | 72-3 |
| Marine City | 76-0 |
| Centerline | 38-33 |
| Lincoln | 31-39 |

Over all record 14 wins 4 losses

Nine returning varsity wrestlers started and the Muskrats were ready to take on all comers. With an over all record of 14-4 and a league record of 6-1, they did it; capturing the individual league tournament title and sharing a co-dual meet championship with Imlay City. The team also made a run towards other tournament titles finishing fourth behind three state-ranked teams at the Avondale Invitational and earning a championship at the Lahser Invitational. Senior Adam Nixon made a name for himself by surpassing the 100 career win at the Yale Invitational in January. Nixon joined 16 other Algonac wrestlers, including Brandon Rank, with 100 wins. The Rats became team district champions by demolishing Dakota 76-3 and Marine City 76-0 in the finals. The Muskrats fell short of reaching the Team Finals State Tournament by a score of 39-31 to Regional champions Warren Lincoln. At Kellogg Arena in Battle Creek, Brandon Rank earned State Champion status in Division II. All -Staters were Rick Rank placing second and Adam Nixon placing seventh.

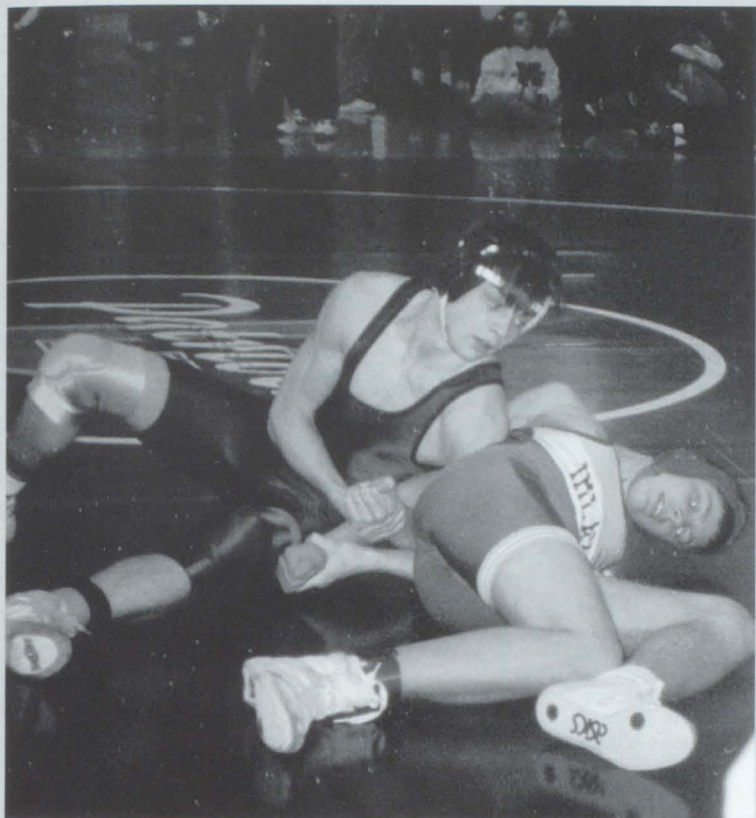


Wrestling: Front Row: Scott Morningstar, David Danielson, Chris Zamborowski, Rick Hombaker, David Bishop, Rick Rank Second Row: Tom Palmer, James Paad, Mike Wilhelm, Rick Prudhomme, Brandon Rank, Justin Trafford, Greg Walczak Third Row: Coach Dave Kochan, Anthony D'Ambrosio, Adam Nixon, Nathan Rhadigan, Dave Kuecken, Jeff Watson, Shawn Martin, Coach Dan Salyer Back Row: Jeff Sperry, Don Capadagli, Chris Laux, Clarence Ziehmer, Paul LaBelle, Evan Jarvi, Pat Thomas, Ed Green, Mike Caiger

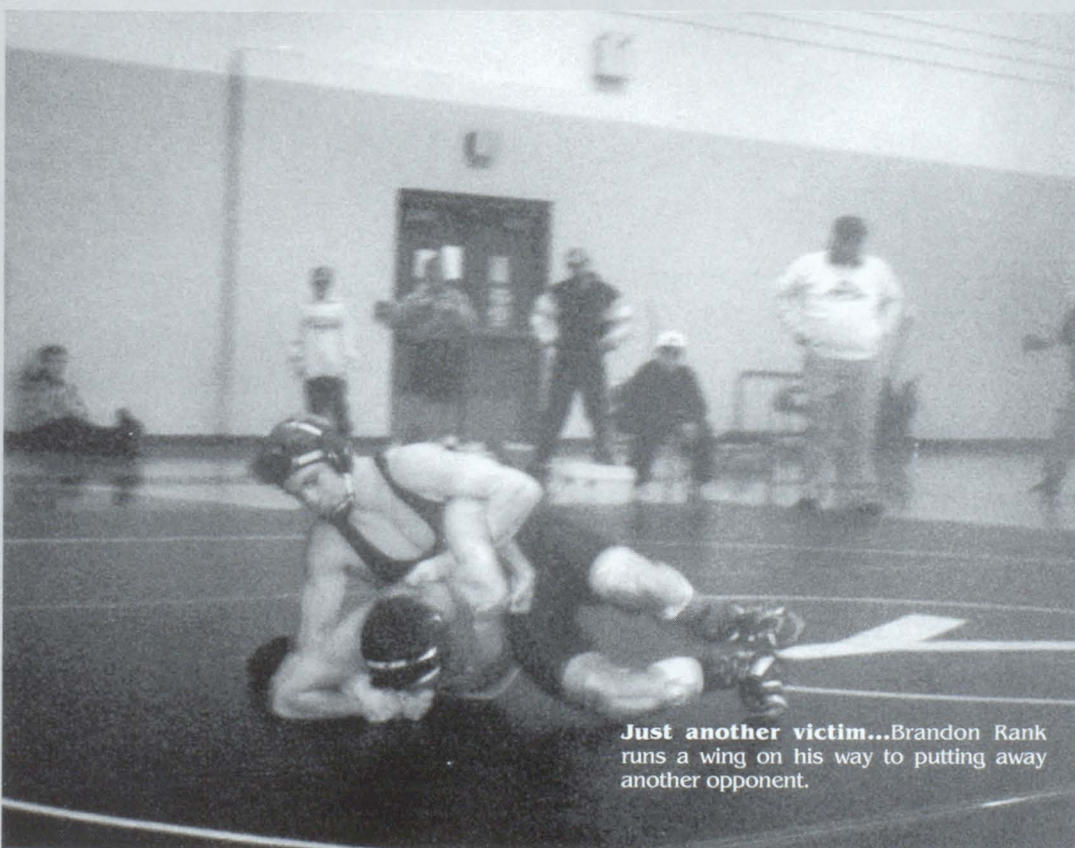


Patiently awaiting a ...pin, Jeff Sperry listens to his coaches for advice.

Racking up the points... Adam Nixon attempts to put his opponents shoulders to the mat.



Working up top... Rick Rank looks to put his opponent on his back.



Just another victim... Brandon Rank runs a wing on his way to putting away another opponent.



Trying for a ... crucial two points, Evan Jarvi sets up a takedown.

"This team has been fun to coach, with a good mix of juniors and seniors working hard to try to rebuild a successfull program."
Coach Bob Enne



Taking it to the hoop

Starting off the season with a big win over Armada 76-50, the Muskrats gained confidence and were setting goals. Junior, Hector DeSaedeeler said, "If we believe in the goals we set and stick to them, we can be a winning team."

VARSITY BASKETBALL

ALGONAC

OPPONENT

| | |
|--------------|-------|
| Armada | 76-50 |
| Anchor Bay | 40-56 |
| Clintondale | 41-47 |
| Imlay City | 46-67 |
| Richmond | 45-43 |
| Warren Woods | 41-45 |
| Mt. Clemens | 41-51 |
| Cousino | 43-44 |
| St. Clair | 32-48 |
| Marine City | 64-70 |
| Richmond | 57-47 |
| Marysville | 44-78 |
| Clintondale | 43-73 |
| South Lake | 61-57 |
| Mt. Clemens | 85-76 |
| Cousino | 53-46 |
| St. Clair | 48-45 |
| Marine City | 56-51 |
| Imlay City | 47-61 |
| Marysville | 45-63 |

Districts

Cros-lex 53-66

Over all record 8 wins 13 losses

The Muskrats challenged new teams with this being their first year in the Macomb Area Conference (MAC). In an up and down season, the Rats came out on top over the Richmond Blue Devils during their second encounter at the Palace on December 30 with a close game of 45-43, and again on January 24 with a 57-47 victory. Co-captain Nathan Maroney said, "With strong attitudes and goals, we can be the successfull winning team to beat."

With only a few wins during the season, the team kept their spirits high. Jason Solgot said, "We are finally starting to become a team and beginning to improve our attitudes toward each other."

Closing the season, Keith Ravis led the seniors with 29 points, at one of his last games. The boys hustled hard against Mt. Clemens with an 85-76 victory. All of the improvement paid off to these dedicated players this season.



VARSITY BASKETBALL... Front Row: Dominic Ticconi, Jason Meldrum, Willis Hotchkiss, Jason Solgot Middle Row: Joe Funke, Noah Weiss, Jason Desot, Keith Ravis, Steve Lochbiler Back Row: Coach Al Latosz, Nathan Maroney, Hector DeSaedeeler, Eric Jarvi, Jason Schilling, Caoch Bob Enne

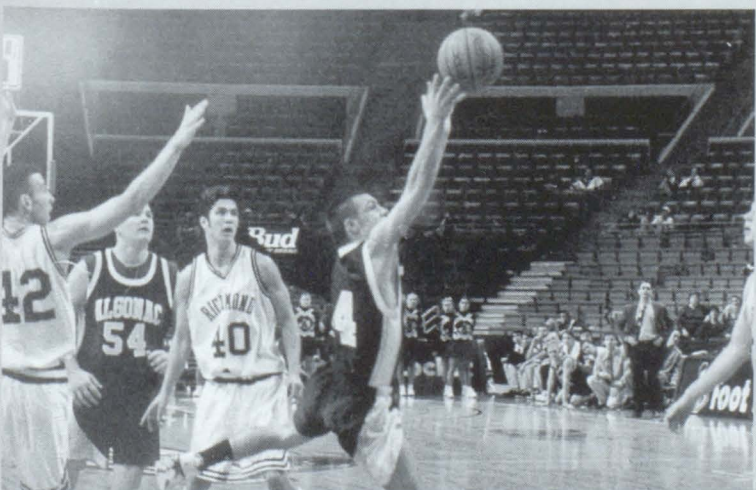


DRIVING TO THE HOOP... Receiving a pass from Jason Solgot, Hector DeSaedeeler, takes the ball to the hoop for yet another addition to the score.

READY TO PLAY... Dominic Ticconi sets up the offense for a three point shot.



TRYING TO FIGHT OFF... his Richmond opponent Jason Meldrum looks for an open shot.



JUMPING FOR THE BALL... Jason Solgot strives to catch a pass.



CONCENTRATING ON THE GAME... Nathan Maroney carries the ball onto the court.

"The team had really high expectations this year and we played well throughout the season," Coach Chris Meldrum.



J.V. jams with improvement...

Facing another tough season, the Junior Varsity Basketball team has excelled with their skills. "Playing well together in games was the key factor of having a successful team this year," according to Sophomore Sam Dobbs.

The J.V. team was off to a good start with a 4-0 record, beating Armada, Anchor Bay, Clintondale and Imlay City winning each game with an average of 15 points.

"We started off the season with a bang, but after Christmas break it seems like the team has not been giving it their all," said Sophomore Ben Coomer.

"Our attitudes were very good and played a major role in how well we did as a team this year," said Sophomore Joe Bertrand.

Coach Chris Meldrum has been coaching the Junior Varsity team for the second straight year. Coach Meldrum said, "because of injuries and mishaps we didn't do as well as we thought we could."

Many of the players agree that the best game of the season was against Mt. Clemens. The Muskrats got revenge on an early season win by the Bathers by devastating them in the rematch. Using teamwork Algonac was able to take command and control of the game to defeat Mt. Clemens. "The team played well and it proved what team work can do," said Bobby Schrader.

JUNIOR VARSITY BASKETBALL

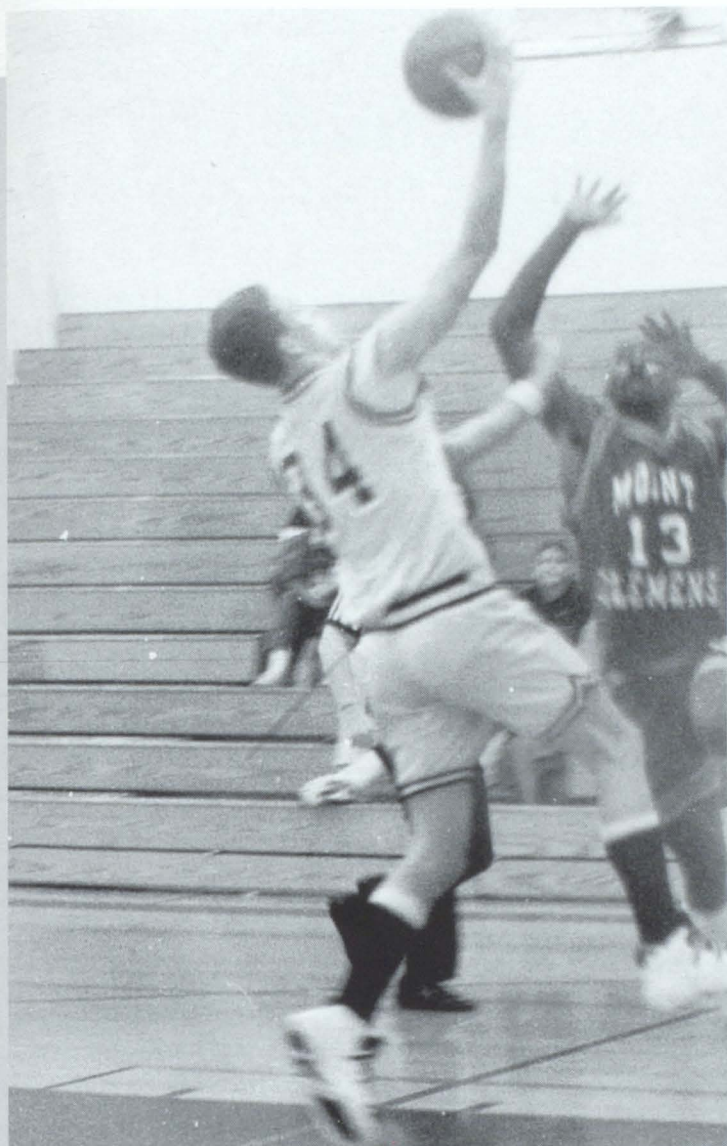
| ALGONAC | OPPONENT |
|----------------------------------|----------|
| Armada | 67-30 |
| Anchor Bay | 44-28 |
| Clintondale | 44-37 |
| Imlay City | 66-55 |
| Warren Woods | 36-48 |
| Mt. Clemens | 36-48 |
| Cousino | 31-40 |
| St. Clair | 55-27 |
| Marine City | 60-63 |
| Richmond | 36-34 |
| Marysville | 51-57 |
| Clintondale | 50-41 |
| Southlake | 38-32 |
| Mt. Clemens | 62-50 |
| Cousino | 37-63 |
| St. Clair | 31-34 |
| Marine City | 27-38 |
| Imlay City | 62-59 |
| Richmond | 53-37 |
| Marysville | 37-60 |
| Over all record 11 wins 9 losses | |



JV Basketball: Front row: Brent Gossett, Joe Werner, Ben Coomer, Jason Breitmeyer, Sam Dobbs, Joe Bertrand, Andy Boyd. Back row: Coach Chris Meldrum, Jeff Desot, Justin Ferraro, Kevin Bendit, Jason Gontarek, Bobby Schrader, Corry Jobin.

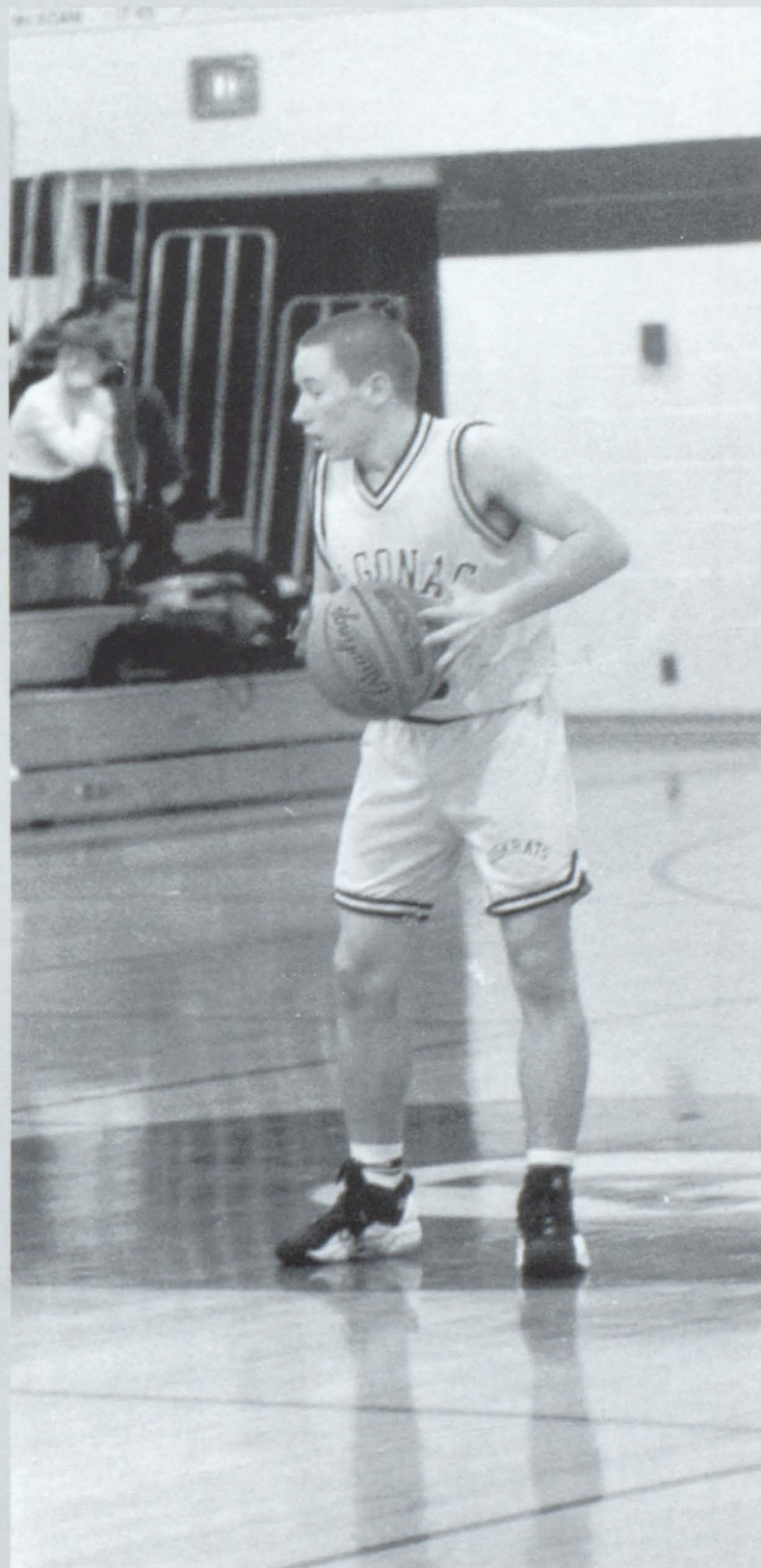


Faking out... the Mt. Clemens defender, Corry Jobin looks around for an open teammate.



Driving... in the lane Bobby Schrader goes for a layup and provides the team with another two quick points.

Making... all the tough decisions in basketball, Brent Gossett looks to the coach for advice.



Sizing up the competition... Sam Dobbs waits for the team to set up in formation before proceeding with the play.

"It's not where you are,
it's the direction you're
headed."
Coach Rod Greenwood

Up and in.....Joe Krum
takes a shot from the
three point line.



Freshmen pass around a tough season

The boys freshman basketball team had to put up some battles this year. This team with little depth and just a couple of guys at six foot and under gave their competitors quite a challenge.

Algonac faced some of the toughest and largest teams in their league. With the new Macomb Area Conference (MAC) set up, these freshman had to go up against teams including Port Huron High, Port Huron Northern, and Anchor Bay.

FRESHMEN BASKETBALL

| ALGONAC | OPPONENT |
|---|-----------|
| Marysville | 22-45 |
| Marine City | 42-44(OT) |
| Richmond | 42-54 |
| Imlay City | 55-67 |
| Clintondale | 35-58 |
| Port Huron | 46-67 |
| Port Huron North | 28-60 |
| St. Clair | 39-56 |
| Marysville | 45-55 |
| Anchor Bay | 70-77 |
| Marine City | 43-48 |
| Anchor Bay | 51-63 |
| Richmond | 38-50 |
| Imlay City | 48-56 |
| Cardinal Mooney | 54-33 |
| Port Huron | 34-63 |
| Port Huron North | 37-74 |
| St. Clair | 35-49 |
| Over all record 2 wins 17 losses | |

Although they may have been down on the wins side, they had many close games. Many of their games were between five and twelve points. Despite these close losses throughout the season the boys team hung tough and stayed in the game.

The boys on this team will surely be ready for competition at the J. V. and Varsity level next year. "It's not where you are, it's the direction you're headed", said coach Rod Greenwood. "The team has been doing everything possible that they can possibly do to get better." Roy Heron said that "We have been working hard at practice everyday and we have been playing much better".

Returning to the boys basketball coaching ranks, Coach Rod Greenwood feels that his team is an excellent team who has very tough competition. "If the freshmen played the same schedule as last year, we probably would be at .500," said Coach Greenwood.



Freshman Basketball: Front row: Joe Krum, Roy Heron, Chris Uleski, Ryan Schroerlucke, Jim Elliott, Matt Bruce. Back row: Brian McCullough, Nick Matzka, Tom Koehler, Mike Gohl, Scott Stay, Coach Rod Greenwood.



Smooth Attack..... Joe Krum uses some of the skills that Coach Greenwood taught him to get by an opponent.

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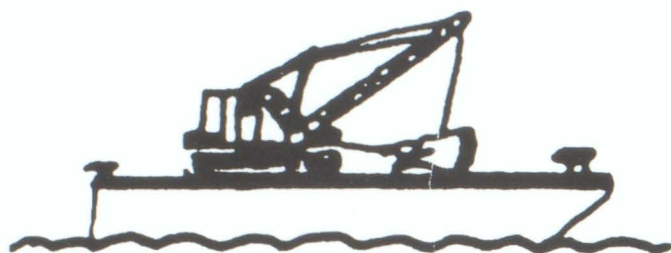
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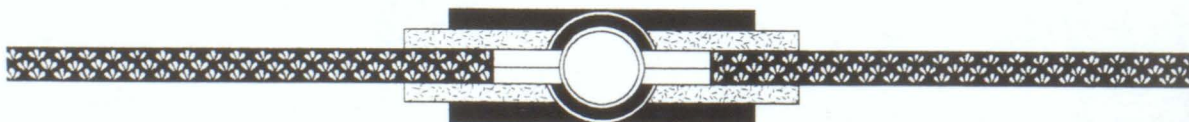
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We've all made mistakes and we as parents have not been perfect in the way we handled certain situations. All we wanted was for you to learn from your mistakes, be safe, and to be honest with yourself and others. Also to have strong morals and values. We see how serious you are about what you are doing now. We see a great change in you and we're very proud and happy.

You've always had so much talent and when you really want to work at something you can achieve anything you set out to do. When you were little you were always busy drawing us cute little pictures and writing stories, when you learned how. You designed your own greeting cards from day one, and still do. We have every one. You were always designing and organizing everything you could, and still do now.

We truly miss our second little angel and are so sad, yet happy that you are growing up to be such a lovely young woman. We hope you won't forget us. We'll always be here for you if you ever need us. We've all been through so much and growing up hasn't been the easiest. You've tackled some difficult times, and we hope you will some day understand why we were the meanest parents in Algonac.

Through it all, you became so self sufficient and independent. We love the changes we see. Have a great future! You are working very hard at it. We're proud of you, once again. We hope your future is full of wonderful opportunities and exciting adventures. We'll always be here when you need us.

We love you,

Always.

Dad and Mom

P.S. Thanks for letting us be your little sisters. Bones & Kisses Coco & Tedi



Renee,

There is something special a daughter is to her father, and that is what you have been.

As you now move on to adulthood and a more independent life, my promise of love and support will always be here for you.

Because, neither time nor age will diminish how special you are to me.
Dad

Renee,

We have seen you grow into a lovely lady - now strive for the better until you get the best.

Love,

Grandma & Grandpa Bauer



I really miss you and your sister and all the silly fun we used to have. Good luck and much happiness in your future.

Love,

Grandma Z.

Renee:

My little big sister, I can't believe that you are a senior already. We've been through so much together and time just flew by right before our eyes. In all these years I have learned that "finally" we are not only sisters, but have become very good friends. No matter where you go or what you do in life I will always be here for you. I love you. Maggie loves you too.

Gotta luv me,

Sara, "Serone", "the mama"

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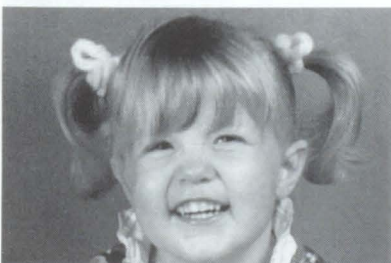


Erica,

As I write this, tears fill my eyes and my heart grows sad. Knowing I won't have my beautiful girl much longer. I remember the day you were born. I thought I was the only woman in the world to have such a beautiful baby. As you have grown you have made your Dad and I very proud. My Mother always said enjoy them while they are young because they grow so fast and fast you grew.

Now I must let you go and make your way in this world, but do not worry God or I will not be far away. I know God has his plan for you. Look what he has already done for you. You have only just begun your journey. With God and your family standing by you, you will accomplish all that you set out to do. And if your journey ever gets too lonely, remember I am not far away. I will always be here for you and I will always be proud of whatever you do.

We love you,
Mom & Dad, Pete & Rene



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We have seen the frowns
turn into smiles.

We have seen the selfish-
ness turn into kindness.

We have seen the baby, they
said wouldn't make it, turn
into a Lady that has worked
hard to keep it.

Shannon we are so very
proud of you.

All Our Love,
Mom, Dad, and Terri



Bussy,

We've always been proud of everything you've done and will do. You have grown to be a fine young man. Remember you can accomplish anything you set your mind to.

Never forget how much we love and need you. Whatever you choose to do we will be there for you always.

Love,
Mom & Dad, Mary & Kevin





Phil,

It doesn't seem possible that you are graduating from high school already. It seems like yesterday you were graduating from pre-school and getting ready for elementary school. The time has passed us by so fast.

We're so proud of all you have accomplished in the last four years. For someone who was so shy you sure have grown up to be a fine young man who can make a person smile just by being with you.

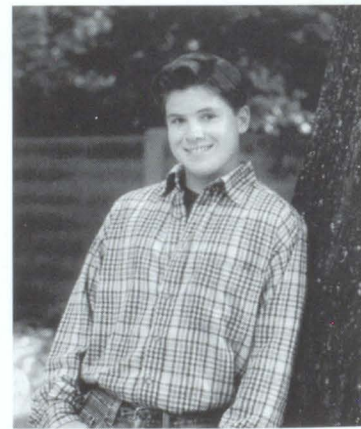
Phil, we wish you the best of luck in whatever your future holds. Through your travels just remember we love you very much and we will always be here for you.

Love,
Mom and Dad

Dear Phil,

There aren't any words I could use to describe how much I love you or to tell you how proud I am of you. Remember that I will always be there for you no matter what. Also don't forget me when you are starring in your first Woody Allen movie! OK?

Love you,
Aunt Lori



Congratulations Cory and thanks for the memories. As great as it's been, we know that it's just the beginning.

Love,
Grandma and Grandpa



Tonya,

You've made it and we are so very proud. There is so much to look forward to in the years to come. Anything you set your mind to you can do. Good luck!

Love,
Mom & Dad





Melanie,

Seems like only yesterday we were getting you ready for kindergarten... now graduation! You have made us proud and we have enjoyed watching you perform on Colorguard at competitions, nationals, and parades. Seeing you always brought a lump to our throats and a smile to our faces. We love you very much, Melanie, and wish you the best in the future. Your school days are coming to an end and a new life is just beginning. We will always be here for you. Take care and may God bless.

Love,
Dad, Mom, Michelle, and Jamie



Great job "little bit"!

Love,
Dad

"In my heart you will remain, forever young."

Love,
Mom

There are many words I could use to describe you; beautiful, talented, caring, unselfish, the list can go on, but the best words are, "my sister", I love you very much and I wish you all the happiness and success in the world.

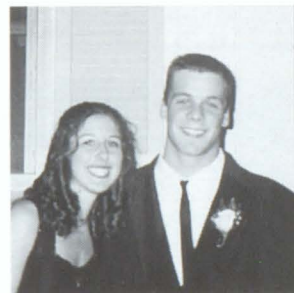
Leslie

You are a "wonderful" daughter. We love you more than we can ever express.

Mom & Dad

Seeing you got all the artistic talent, I am happy everything is working out for you. Have fun at college and don't drink too much!

Matt



I love you Melanie.
Jason



J-Bird-Jason Schilling,

You have come a long way down a tough road and made it through the first steps in life with enthusiasm and concern for others. You should be proud and strive to maintain this. Money can buy a lot in life but qualities like the ones you keep will always bring happiness and pride, something money can't buy.

As you walk down this path of life keep that smile and warm heart and always-always stand proud. We couldn't be more proud of you, raising you has been our pleasure.

Congratulations to our amazing, caring, young man.

We Love You - Mom & Dad





Renee,
You are the sunshine of our life. That's why we will always be around for you. You are the apple of our eye. Forever you'll be in our hearts. Renee, you have grown into a beautiful lady. We are so very proud of you, and all of your accomplishments. May God be with you in your new hopes and dreams. Always remember to be your own person and do not hesitate to chase your dreams. We love you very much....

Love,
Mom & Dad

Renee,

It's been fun with you in High School. I hope you have fun in college and go on to bigger and better things.

Love,
Your Bro



Jennifer - You have given us more "Joy" than you will ever know.

From the first day of pre school you have had a positive attitude that has carried with you throughout high school. You have shown confidence, leadership, and spirit in every challenge and accomplishment that you have met. (May your brother and sister learn from you.)

You strived long and hard to earn every medal that you so proudly wear. You are your own competitor. No matter what sport you were in, you always gave it your all. Win or lose, we were so proud you were a part of it. (We felt sorry for your coaches when there was a loss, your coaches know what I mean.)

You have the heart of a true competitor, may that carry on throughout your college years.

College - what no sports! What are you going to do with all your time!

Jen, you have the ability to make people smile and laugh. As you take your next steps in life, may you "heal" them too

JP, we give you a 1st place medal for winning our hearts.

Remember July 5th - party time. Congratulations on high school. Look out - medical field - JP is on the way.

We love you and may you have three daughters just like you.

Dad and Mom

PS..Jennifer, I had more fun on your Rainbow trips than you did. Thanks for letting me tag along. Love Mom

I am so excited my baby sister is graduating. This is a big step but it will be fun. Good Luck and I hope you achieve all your goals in life. I will always be around if you want to talk.

Love your big sis- Jaime

Jen, you're a hard sister to compete with. I hope that when I become a senior I have as many awards and medals as you do. Good luck at becoming a doctor.

Love, Sheri

Still no difference in Jennifer's eating habits. Just ask her friends.

All dressed up, no place to go. (again)

Yes, there is a sport that JP is not good at.

JP's ready! What sport is she in now.

She's so cute.

Our Baby Jen - grown up and beautiful.

All dressed up and ready to go - now go get em tiger.





Tracey,

You came to us one August day. Your middle sibling planning on a brother, instead he got a sister, and became quite disgusted with his mother. To make him feel less irritated we let him choose your name. In less than an instant from his voice the name "Tracey" came. So you became a "Tracey," the name fit you to a tee, with a smile on your face and a bubbly personality.

Your childhood was very memorable, you kept us forever young, and we thank you for the song you wrote although the words are never sung.

You've grown into a beautiful young lady. Your graduation day is near. We wish you the best of luck choosing your future, and remember we're always here.

Love, Mom & Dad

Trace:

Congratulations on your graduation! You have a lot of dreams and goals in life. You can do anything if you put your mind to it. We believe in you, we're proud of you, and we love you.

Love, Mike and Heidi



Tracey,

Wow! I can't believe you're graduating. It seems like just yesterday you were strutting around in your pink cookie monster bathing suit with those curly little pigtails in your hair. We're so proud of you. We wish you the best of luck in whatever the future holds for you. We love you and will always be here for you if you need us. Congratulations!

Love, Renee, Craig, and Marissa



Gus

Hey bud, I can't believe the time has gone by so fast. I am so proud of all your accomplishments and the person you have become. Do your personal best in all you endeavor and you will succeed.

All my love, Mom

Gus -

Now it is my turn to thank you for being my pal, my partner outdoors, my inspiration, a source of never-ending amazement.

Your talents and abilities are endless as the choices you'll now face. My support, my encouragement, and my admiration go with you always and everywhere.

Keep striving hard and keep your head in the game - (in the books too)!

Love, Dad



To my nutty brother.

Wishing you very good luck.

Love your bro, Zachary

Gus, no matter how big you get, I can still take you down! Good luck in college.

Love, Heather

P.S. Watch where you throw those darts, try to aim for the board this time!



Heather Lynn,

We are so proud to have a daughter like you. Since the time you were born we knew that whatever came your way you would succeed at, no matter if it was a small simple task or a difficult one. So now as you graduate, we wish you luck, and our love and we will always be there for you. Congratulations

Love ya,

Mom & Dad



To my cousin,

We may have not been close in our younger years. Me with my barbies and dolls and you with your Hot Wheels and Tonka Trucks. But over the years most recently we have become a lot closer. I love you with all my heart. You're like my sister. Good luck!

Love,

Melissa



Jennifer,

It seems like yesterday you were off going to kindergarden, now you're graduating. We want you to know how proud you've made us. You've been the best daughter, anyone could have. You're a beautiful young lady and we hope you get everything you want, and everything you deserve out of life. We'll always be there for you.

Love,

Dad & Mom



Jennifer,

I want you to know you've always been a good sister. Good luck with everything you do! Can't believe you're all done with school!

Love your sister,

Jessica





*Who you are
Where are you going
When will you return*

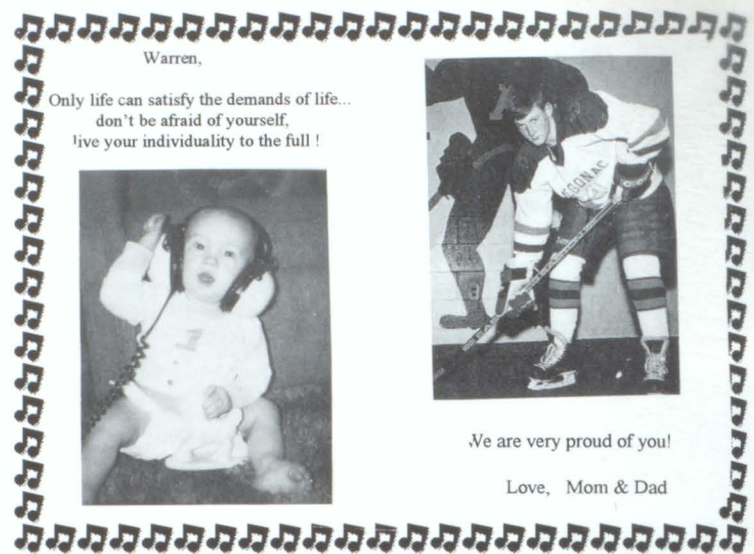
*Beginnings
middles
endings*

I love you,

Mom



*Love ya,
Poops, stay out of
trouble!
Love,
Tobi*



Warren,

*Only life can satisfy the demands of life...
don't be afraid of yourself,
live your individuality to the full !*



We are very proud of you!

Love, Mom & Dad

Adam,

*You have given us
much joy and laughter in
your 18 years. It is hard to
believe you are already a
senior. You have always
been a loving and caring
son. You have accom-
plished much this year in
school. We will always be
here for you "Bub-man".
Set your goals high and
you will achieve them.
All our Love,
Mom, Dad, Greg, and
Tara*



Monica,

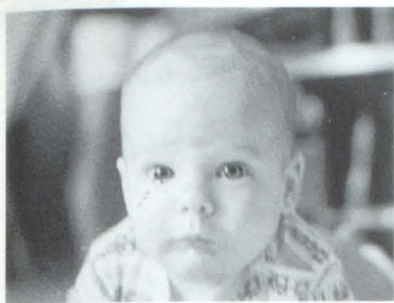
*It seems like only yesterday
that we brought you home
from the hospital. You were
so cute and so sweet.
What's funny is that after 17
years, nothing has changed.
We are very proud of you.
You have the ability and
confidence in yourself to
take control of your life and
make everyone around you
smile at the same time. We
couldn't have asked for
such a wonderful child. May
the road you travel be filled
with happiness, may you
know an inner peace, and
may you keep the spirit with
you always to guide you. We
love you very much.*

Mom, Dad, Brian and Gabe



*Way to go Rob. We are so proud of
your twelve years of hard work, be
happy, enjoy life.
We Love You,
Mom & Dad*





Don,

Congratulations - You made it! (Sometimes we didn't think we would, though.) You should be proud of yourself and all your accomplishments - we are. We know you'll hear it often, but it's true. Enjoy this time of your life - once you're out of college everything changes. We know you'll do great - you always do.

*We Love You,
Mom & Dad*



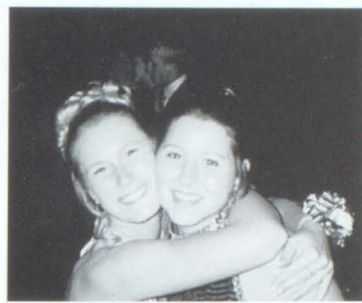
I knew you could do it! I'm proud of you little (?) brother.

Brian



*We're really proud of you! Good luck in college.
Nikki, Brian, & Samantha*

*Congratulations! You're finally graduating! I was always proud to say that you were my big brother and I still am. You're a great person - even if you're kinda strange at times - and I'm sure you'll be a success at whatever you do. Don't party too hard. (Yeah, Right!)
Love ya,
Kerry*



Brie,

What to say? You are the greatest best friend a girl could have. In fact your not only the best your the bomb! Thanks for being there through the good and the bad. I will always be here for you like you've been here for me! I'm not worried about seeing you after graduation I'll be living with you. I know things at MSU will go great! Go Green!

**Love your best friend,
Kelly Faye '97**



Tera,

You have become a very smart woman, and a great achiever, we love you and we hope the best for you.

*Love,
Mom & Uncle Rick (Dad)*



Keith,

We are very proud of what you accomplished. We know there will be more accomplishments at college.

*Good luck in the future.
Love,
Mom, Dad and Tom*



Keith Kodet - First day of school, 1985.

Twelve years of school have flown by so quickly! We're so proud of who you have become.

*Always continue to set high goals for yourself. We know you can do whatever you want to do. We love you!
Mom, Dad and Brett*



Time sure flies when you're having fun!

*Love,
Dad*





Dear Beth,

Where has the time gone? It seems like just yesterday we brought you home from the hospital on a cold, snowy day in January. Now you are here all grown up graduating from AHS!

Beth you have brought so much joy into our hearts and we are so very proud of all your accomplishments. You are a leader and a fighter, a warm and caring young woman. You have spunk and determination and a zest for life. Don't ever lose that!

Your work with Student Council and Yearbook have taught you more than you can imagine now, but you will see it one day. And the role that sports has had on your life has taught you teamwork really does work. We know that you have always felt that it was important to work toward making AHS a better place for all students, a place where students can feel safe, learn and grow.

Beth, you have so many opportunities right outside your door just waiting for you. Go after your dreams and continue to lead and fight for what you believe is right. No matter where life takes you Beth, you will succeed. Thank you for being the daughter you are. Congratulations!

Love always,
Mom & Dad

Dear Beth,

Well you did it! I had confidence in you all along and I am proud of you for all that you have done during high school. I couldn't ask for a better little sister. I wish you the best of everything in your life. I know you will make the most of it. Thanks for always being there for me, and don't forget I'm always here for you.

Good luck class of '97
Love, Amy





Kel,

Congrats! I'm very proud of you. You've always done your own thing, never caring what others thought. I salute you! Always keep it real. Good luck at Basic.

Your sister,
Shawn

PVT Spanky,

Believe in yourself and who you are. Follow your dreams. Be all you can be in the army. I'm there for you.

Love,
Mom & Ray



Jason - even at 5 years old you were a gentleman. Good job finishing your goals for this year. I am so pleased with your diligence. I look forward to what lies ahead for you.

I love you, Mom



Jason, I am so very proud of all the hard work you have done.

Love, Dad

Dear Nicky,

We're so very proud of the little girl who's grown up to be such a terrific young woman. You've made us laugh and sometimes cry, but always been a great daughter and friend. You'll never know how much we love you.

XXOO
Mom & Dad



Dear Shannon,

Congratulations. You made it. We are so proud of you. It just seems like yesterday when you were our little girl. Here you are a senior in High School. Keep up the good work and you will go far.

We love you,
Mom & Dad



Ronnie,

Congratulations! You've become a nice young man and we're proud of you. We wish you the best in your new adventure and remember we'll always be there for you!

Love,
Mom & Dad





Amy Do Pie,
I am so lucky to have had the pleasure of watching you grow into a beautiful person, inside and out. Always keep your goals, dreams, and ideals with you when you go out into this big world. I love you and I'm so very proud to be your mother.
Love always,
Mom

Dink,
Congratulations on a job well done. I am so proud of you and of all that you have accomplished. Watching you grow over the years has been one of the greatest joys of my life. Now go out and capture your dreams, as you have captured our hearts. You are truly a special and unique person and I treasure you for it.
Big Hugs,
Dad

Amy,
It's been nice growing up with you. You've always been nice to me. I wish you the best of luck through the rest of your life. You have a great future ahead of you.
Love, Tom



Dana,
I am so proud of you. I can't believe you finally made it. You have progressed considerably this year. I remember when you were born and the nurses said you looked like the "Gerber Baby" and now you are graduating. I know you will be very successful in whatever you do because you are motivated. I will always love you!
Love, Mom

Dana,
Congratulations! You deserve the best!
Love, Pete





Well, Mike you have come a long way from that quiet little boy we used to know. You have gained a lot of maturity and confidence, not to mention muscle. These things will make certain a bright future filled with happiness and joy. There is no doubt that you will make us proud, because you have already begun.

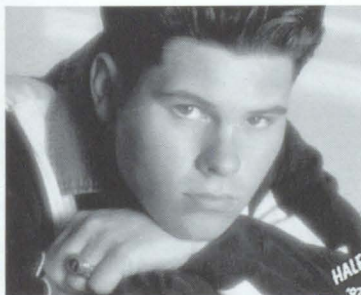


We love you,
Mom and Dad



Mikey,
You said it would be hard but you finally made it through. I'll miss you, but I wish the best of luck for college.

Your favorite pair of legs,
Me Me



Gordy,
We are proud of you in all you have achieved and the young man you've become. Just follow your heart and the world is yours.
Love, Mom and Dad

Congratulations! We are very proud of you for all your accomplishments, both academic and athletic. Remember, you'll always be our little brother.
Best of Luck,
Cheryl, Dawn, Kelly



Gabe,

It seems only yesterday was your 1st day of school. It's difficult to believe this is your last year. You are such a blessing to me. I am so proud of you and all of your accomplishments now and in your future.

Love you,
Mom



Just remember the worst and the best are both still ahead of you. Always work towards the best and give thought to avoiding the worst.

Love
Dad



Joe,

We are very proud of you for the person you are and for your accomplishments. We wish you the very best and will always be there if you need us.

Love,
Mom, Dad & Tom



Kelly,

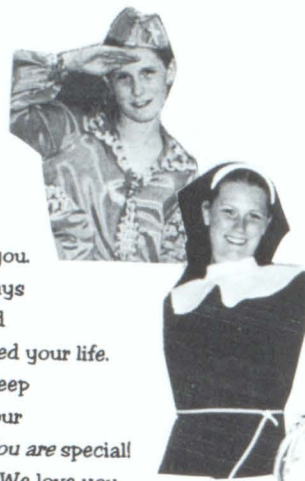
"Thank Heaven For Little Girls..."
From your first little steps, your smiles, and pigtails, to the steps you took to receive your diploma, we've been so proud of you! You've done so many wonderful things, not just for yourself, but for all the people around you.

Hold all the great memories of your school days close to your heart. Cherish all the laughter and good times with all the people who have touched your life.

A new door is opening. Let your spirit soar. Keep touching lives and making a difference. Keep your dynamic smile. Make your dreams come true. You are special!

"Thank Heaven For Little Girls..."

We love you,
Mom & Dad



Kelly,

Hey sis, your the greatest! We've had a lot of good times together. You've helped ne through a lot of tough times too. Even though we've had our problems, I've loved you though them all. I can't believe you'll be gone soon. I'm going to miss you while your in college. If you ever need anyone to talk to, call me. I'm here for you. Good Luck! I love you, your sis,

Amy Colleen



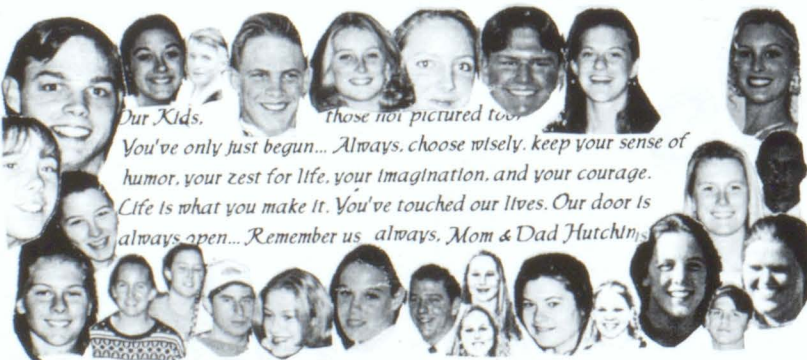
Dear Nicole,

You have truly blessed our lives. We watched you quickly transfigure from a cute, happy baby to a mature, beautiful young lady.

Determination and spirit have helped you set and achieve many goals. Your gentleness, warmth, integrity, and genuine concern for others have not only touched our hearts but others close to you. Thank you for greeting us every day with that never ending smile, and sharing your day to day experiences.

Nicole, you have been our "greatest joy" to raise. We're proud of all you past and present accomplishments, and support your future hopes and dreams. Remember our love and respect, they are unconditional.

Mom, Dad, & Billy



Our Kids,

those not pictured too

You've only just begun... Always, choose wisely, keep your sense of humor, your zest for life, your imagination, and your courage. Life is what you make it. You've touched our lives. Our door is always open... Remember us always. Mom & Dad Hutchins



Danielle,

We can't believe it is time for your graduation, the time has passed so fast!

It seems like yesterday we were handed the most beautiful baby we had ever seen, now 18 years later you have grown into a beautiful young woman.

It's time for you to make your own decisions, you can be very successful if you put your mind to it. We are very proud of you, and will always be here for you. We love you very much. Love Mom & Dad

Danielle,

You're a great sister and a good friend.

I love ya honey
Lynette

Danielle,

Well you made it!! We are so proud of you. You have filled our lives with so much joy and happiness. Good luck and reach for the stars.

We love you very much,
Uncle Jim, Aunt Kim, Tara & Tess



Brienne Mary Valentine

You're our Yankee Doodle baby, an American girl in every way. It's really no coincidence you were born on flag day!

You always speak your mind and don't really mind who hears. You're romantic and dramatic, full of smiles as well as tears.

You have a sense of what is right and a gentle, giving spirit. But "pity the fool" who gives you grief, cause he's really gonna hear it!

We're proud of our SPARTAN
GO GET EM BRIE!

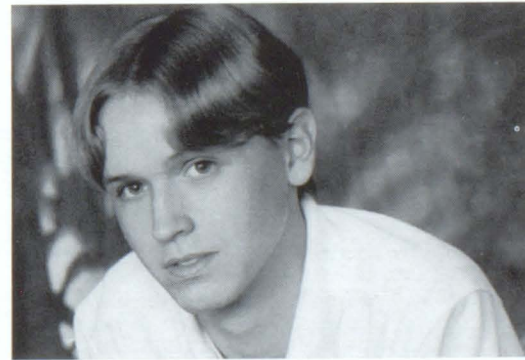
Love,
Mom & Dad



Dorcus,

You never listen to me and never take my advice, but in spite of this you've turned out pretty cool. Thanks for fighting with Mr. Holmes this year. You really make me proud. Go Blue!

Love,
Kate



Jason,

It's hard to believe how quickly our little boy has grown into a wonderful young man. We are so proud of you. Always remain strong in the Lord. And always give your best.

We love you,
Mom & Dad

Jason,

You've been a great brother. I hope you can accomplish all your dreams. Good luck in all you do and remember to always trust God. Oh, and thanks for introducing me to Charlie.

Love,
Angie

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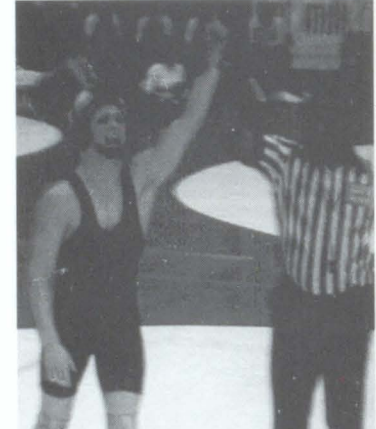
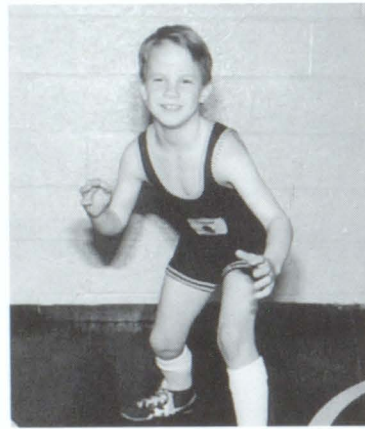
Brandon,
We have watched you grow from a curly headed little boy, to a strong handsome young man. We are so proud to have you as such a terrific role model for our children to look up to. The goals that you have accomplished, at such a young age are extremely impressive. With your common sense and the tremendous courage that you have displayed, the world will step aside for "Brandon Rank". You are our super star, and we have no doubt that you will be a professional in whatever you do. The future has a lot in store for you, and you have a lot in store for the future.

Love, Pauline, Rocco, Rocco III, Nick and Tony

Brandon,
Congratulations on a great High School career! We are very proud of the young man you have become. Continue on living your dreams because you are in control of your own destiny in life. Good Luck!!

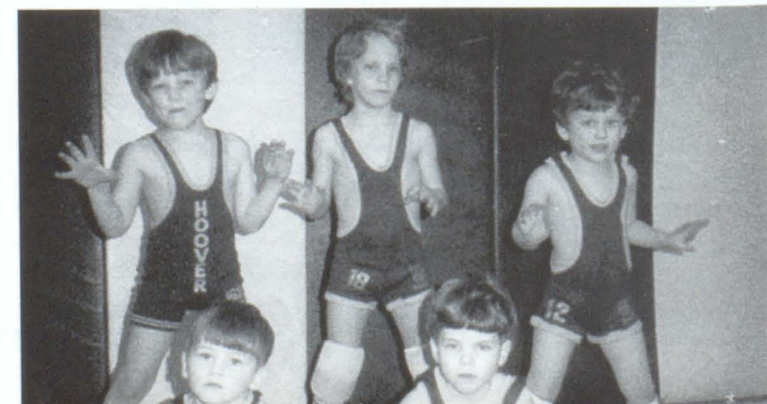
All our love and support,
Uncle Doug, Aunt Theresa, Charlie, Aileen, and Michael

Brandon,
It's easier to talk the talk than to walk the walk. You've delivered in High School. Step out now to college and life, and continue to walk tall. All avenues are open to you.
Love, Grandma and Grandpa Welsh



Brandon,
I want to tell you at this time how truly "special" I think you are. And then I think you might think, What's the big deal? All parents think their kids are "special". So I tried to think about it objectively. What do you have that sets you apart from the rest? You have this mother's love. You have this mother's heart. Over the years, you have touched the lives of so many people, young and old alike; family, friends, and mere acquaintances. People look up to you, and in doing so, appear to expect a lot. I think, at times, this is your greatest burden. You worry that you will let them down. Trust me Brandon. Through victory and defeat, we have all always seen a true champion. You have a great gift, Brandon. You inspire people. Draw confidence from their admiration, and "Dare to Dream". With this thought in mind, I send you to college with these words of Rudyard Kipling:

"Yours is the earth and everything that's in it,
And - which is more - you'll be a man my son!"
All my love, support and admiration,
Mom



You're not off the hook yet. Other people in this house get to add their two cents. You know how you think you're so special because you got to wrestle with Olympic champion, Kendall Cross? Well, we all think we are pretty special too because we have all gotten to wrestle with "Brandon Rank", the champion of our lives.

Love and best wishes from all of us,
Mom, Julie, Rick, Kristin, Mike and Crystal



Jeff,

At times growing up, you were "more than a handful"! (Shoelaces in kindergarden, fights with the neighbor girls, stitches, teasing your brother, expressing yourself with Dad!) But at other times, you have made us the "proudest parents in the world"! (Holding your new brother, taking his hand during your "lost adventure", doing "well" in school, drama plays, your achievement at sports!)

We'll miss you when you go to college (working with dad, talks with mom). We know you'll go far, son. CONGRATULATIONS, JEFF! Good luck in college (BE GOOD!)

We love you with all our hearts,
Mom, Dad, & Little Watson



Lauren,
You've made us laugh
You've made us cry
You've made us sit
and wonder...Why?...
Of all the things you've
ever done
The very best has just begun!

... "So glad you are a child of
mine"

Love, Mom & Dad



Dear Matthew (aka - Mattie, Lugnut, and baby boy)

To our blue eyed handsome baby boy. You have grown to be quite the young man. The road was bumpy at times, but you have never disappointed us. It seems like only yesterday you were staring at the bright blue summer sky when you were supposed to be keeping your eye on the ball in your first year of T ball.

Remember, you can accomplish any goal you set for yourself and you will always have our support. We are very proud of you.

All our love,
Mom and Dad



Mattie,

Well I guess you can say that we have been through it all. I know we have had our share of arguments, but it always ended up okay. Don't forget if you ever need me you can always find me. Love ya muches!

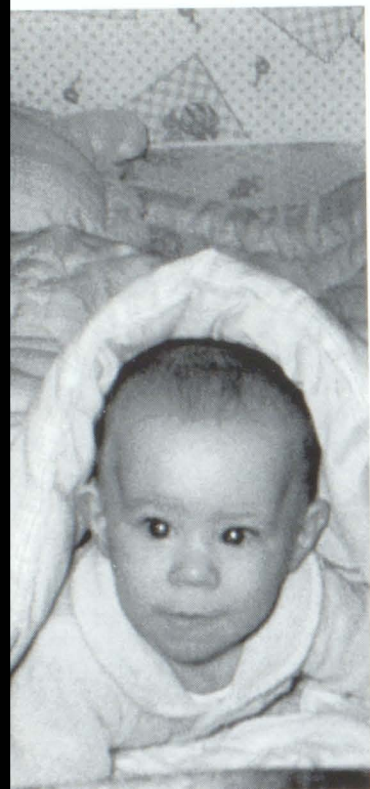
Love your favorite sister,
Cassi

Mattie,

I just wanted you to know I love you and I am very proud of you. You're not just my brother, you're my friend. Lots of luck!

Love ya,
Jennie





To Willis
When they say
good things come
in small packages
They were telling the
truth. Except you
were unique in a
small package.

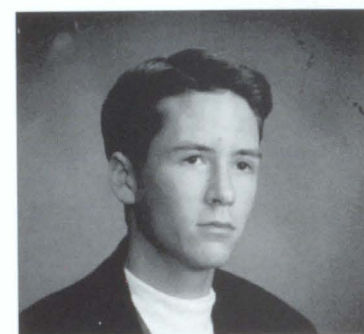
Love,
Mom, Dad, Chris, Ray

Alek,
It's hard to believe that you are
graduating this year; it seems
like only yesterday that you
started school. We cannot
imagine anyone being prouder
of their child than we are of
you. Your accomplishments
amaze us and show that you
have grown into a responsible
young adult.

We can only envision great
things for you in the future.
Your goals may change along
the way, but we know that you
will always take the right path.

Remember that we are always
here for you and will continue
to love and support you in all
you do.

Love,
Mom & Dad



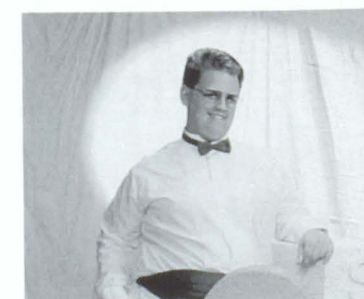
Jennifer,
I'm so proud of you! You
have so much ahead of you
and I know you'll go far in
life. We wish you all the best
in everything you do. We
will support you on whichever
road you choose.

Love,
Mom, John & Melissa

Dear Randy -

You've grown into a won-
derful young man - and a
son I am very proud of - I
hope all your dreams
come true. Congratula-
tions.

All my love,
Mom



Danielle,
What do I say?
You're the greatest friend
anyone could ever have.
We have developed a life
long friendship and no
matter what happens, we
are stuck friends for life.
Love, Angi





Barb,
It's has been a breeze! We are proud to have you as our daughter and cherish all the memories. You have helped form a close, loving family. We like the adult you have become. Your empathy, loyalty, and compassion are just a few of the traits that make up your wonderful personality.

Good luck with your thrilling future, we will always be here.

Love,
Mom and Dad

Barb, Well little sis you made it. You've graduated, who would have thought it would have come so soon. I know we don't always get along, and I can say some cruel things, but remember we often don't mean the things we say and should look beyond them. Remember, I will always be your big sister, you can count on me to always be there for you the same way you have always been there for me. Congratulations on graduating and good luck in everything you do today and tomorrow.

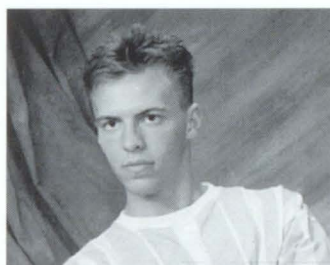
I love you,
your one and only sister, Tracy



Derek,
Congratulations! We are very proud of you.

Keep up the good work and never lose that great sense of humor.

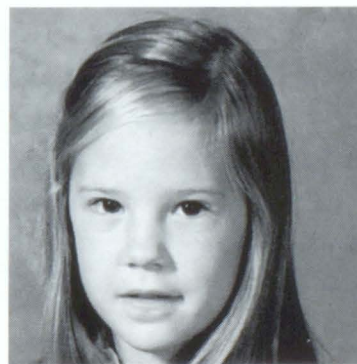
All our love,
Mom, Dad & Allen



Johnna, Fonna, Fenno

Good luck in all you do!

Love Always,
Mom, Dad, Stef & Linds



HI VICKI,
You made it - SWEETS - and have demonstrated that you came thru storms and found the RAINBOWS.

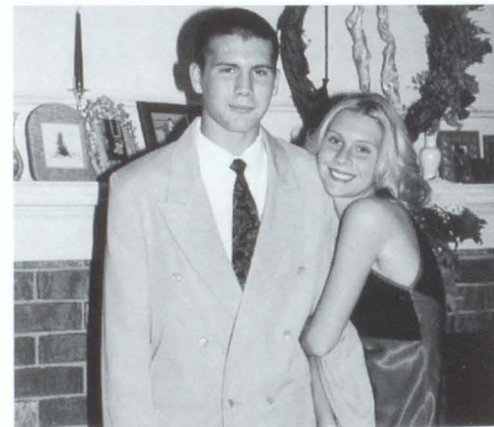
Now take all that KNOWLEDGE
Do your BEST in COLLEGE
Show the world that VICTORIA SHARON SCHENK
Can and will stand up to meet the CHALLENGE

TRUST in the LORD
Keep doing what is right

We guarantee that your FUTURE
Will be like a kite - BEAUTIFUL and BRIGHT
Flying free in the skylight.

Love ya - Baby Girl,
Dad, Elise, Bern and Mom





Stephanie,
A daughter like you is a gift from heaven, our angel on earth. You've taken an ordinary day and made it special just by being born on it. Watching you grow has been a wonderful experience. You've given us so many memories to treasure.

We're glad there's you to talk to to brighten up our day, to share your thoughts and understand the things you do and say. We're glad there's you to laugh with us at ordinary things, to show us what is special in everything your life brings.

We love the young woman you are now every bit as the child you once were. Nothing could ever change the love we feel for you, the very special person you will always be.

We are very proud of you and the challenges you've set for yourself. You have proven yourself a very capable young adult. This is your time STEPHANIE, a time to cherish the past, embrace the present and welcome the future. Look out world here she comes!!! WE LOVE YOU STEPHANIE!! from the bottom of our hearts.

XO Love Mom & Dad XO

Stephanie,
There are a lot of crazies out there in the real world! Now go out and take your place among them. Remember as you move up in the world keep your chin up, walk straight and tall, wear a smile of confidence and don't pick your nose!! Well, I am going to miss you lots and Good Luck in your future!!! Love your "bigger" brother, Scott

Hey Pimp,
Wherever your dreams take you I hope you'll find happiness, you got what it takes. As for you too, I want you to remember something..... ME!!!
Love your freckled face cartoon, Ryan





Jenny,
You've had a busy 18 years growing and learning. As we turn the pages of your life we have many wonderful memories. Go out into the world and create the new chapters.



To watch you girls grow into beautiful young women has been our greatest joy.

Love,
Mom and Dad



Sara,
The doors to your future are wide, take advantage of all the opportunities to expand and grow. Always keep your smile and enthusiasm!
We love you,
Mom and Ralph



Congratulations Squeaky, you did it! Just remember I'll always be here no matter how big the problem.

Love Ya,
Rug-rat & Savaannah-Banana

P.S. Dad would be proud!
P.S.S. NO MORE TATTOOS!



Dearest Leah,

Why has your love passed our way? The many years that have gone by, the smiles, the frowns, the tears and the experiences of growing pains have all been a blessing to us. You have always been the joy that makes our sun come up every day. We wish the expression of words was adequate to tell you how proud and loved you are, but they shall never do. We wish for you the very best that life can afford. Always give your very best and success shall be within your grasp. We will always be here to lend support or just give a hug.

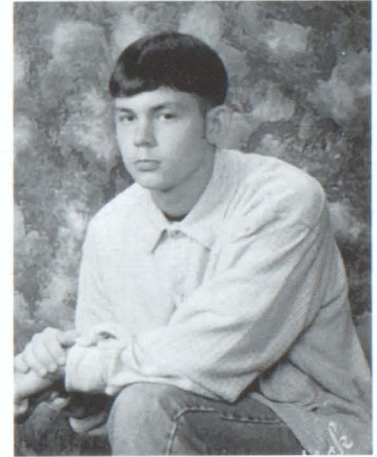
We love you,

Dad, Mom, Sarah and Katie



Dear Nick,

You have grown into an amazing young man, with many special talents. We are very proud of YOU, and hope that all of your dreams come true. Our wish for you is Love, happiness, good health and the strength to reach for your goals. Believe in yourself and there is nothing you can not achieve. All of our love always, Mom and Jim



Adam,

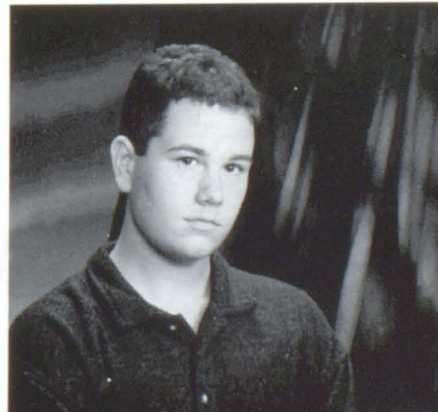
Over the years we have watched you grow up to be a very responsible and mature adult. We are so proud of you and all the accomplishments you have made in high school, and have no doubts that you will succeed in the future.

Love Mom & Dad

Adam

You were always jealous of me ever since I was born. You were always trying to sabotage me: let's just say me, a cart, and the words flipping over. However, I am still here and will always be there for you.

Love your sister





Kristen,
How quickly you have grown from Dad's little guppy into a lovely young women. You have given us so many wonderful memories. It is time to spread your wings and go after your hopes and dreams. Always know that we're always here for you. We love you very much.

Love,
Mom, Dad, and James

Dear Guppy,
I can't believe you're graduating already. You have grown up so much. There is nothing you can't accomplish. I'm very proud and lucky to have you as my little sister Kristen.
Love, Dana

Tera,
I've seen you grow from grandma's little china doll into daddy's little girl and now into a beautiful young woman that I am very proud of. I love you Tera!
Love,
Dad and Tracy



Kimkie, Well congratulations! You made it... through the easy part! Soon you will understand the realities of a new beginning.

Remember your identity, remain always in focus, and keep an open mind before judging. But most important of all, remember where you came from. For this will be the knowledge base you can always draw from, as your greatest decisions are yet to come.

We Love You, Al, Mom, Stacie, Shawn & Brett

Kimbo, You've reached another destination from another of life's many journeys and we couldn't be more proud of the way you've conducted yourself and of the many accomplishments you've achieved. Each destination is the start of another journey and so starts another journey for you. If you handle yourself in the same fashion, I'm sure you will succeed in obtaining your goals en route to your next destination. Always remember we love you very much and we will always be there for you. Good luck, have fun and keep smiling. Love, Dad & Linda XXOO

Melissa,
Where do you start when you have grown up so much and so beautiful! How time has gone by. With all your talents I know you'll be blessed with good things. Life will bring you everything you want when you set goals and work hard. We wish you success in life as the world is waiting for you! How lucky we are to have you as our daughter. You have only just begun as you set out in your travels. Remember you can achieve anything you want in life! Dream On!

Love,
Mom, Dad, Erica, and Andrea



Gloria - Thru years of tears, fears, ups, downs, you made it. We are so very proud. May the joy you gave us always be with you! Love always, Dad & Mom, Patty & Melaney





CONGRATULATIONS - HE SCORES!!

Adam Raymond Lozen,

These are some of the happiest words that I've ever written. You have been the greatest pleasure in my life and my biggest accomplishment.

On Nov. 24, 1979 God gave me an angel and I have been so very proud of you and all your achievements. You have grown from that little blond into a charming young gentleman that has filled our lives with love and lots of excitement. There are so many memories of your daily activities and the hockey, baseball, golf, camping, boating and some more hockey with all the traveling (including a few tired-out cars, added wrinkles on me and one smoking checkbook). Adam, now the time has come to continue to believe in yourself and to step up to the next level - be it college or hockey. With your common sense, self discipline, confidence and good humor the world will be yours. Always strive to be #1 and don't let anything stand in your way - unless it is holding a Raft burger and a full can of gas. Remember Adam, that we will always be here for you. Go For It and Enjoy Life! Keep That Smile!

We Love You,
Mom and Gene



Renee - To one of my best friends. Thank you for always being there for me. From the days of the state fair to the trips up north, we have had many fun times. I hope there are many more to come.

Jen & Nicole - Well, we started kindergarten together and now we are graduating. Thanks for always being there and good luck in all you do.

Carrie - Where to start? We have many good times and our share of bad ones too, but we are still friends. I wish you the best of luck in all you do.

Love, Heather



Angela and Jeffrey

We Love You

Mom and Dad Johnson

Dad Sperry

Steven

Sassy



Dreams begin in many different ways. Along the way, we ran into many potholes that at times seemed like craters. But, I hope that a few things happened. One is that you learned the meaning of commitment. No one will ever know the hours that you spent here when others were gone.

This publication office became your home. Although it did drive me crazy to trip over bookbags, the end result was worth a little hassle.

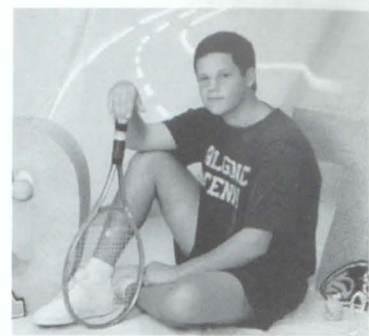
As you look at this, I hope that what you remember are the good times and that in the future, this experience will be special. Any publication has the unique situation of getting a little under your skin... in so many little ways, it becomes a part of you. Being a part of a successful publication will always be a special memory.

To Erica — even though you weren't our staff and I didn't always see eye to eye on your views and opinions, I do want you to know, as the publication adviser who shared the office, I really respect your dedication. No one will ever know and probably appreciate the hours that you spent here.

Dear Carrie,

We look back at a time, when our little daughter was quiet and shy. Holding our hand for assurance and waiting to hear that there was nothing to be afraid of. We watched you bloom like a flower. Very slowly, you would bud, and then before we knew it, you burst into full blossom. Full of determination and self-assurance, but at the same time, a kind and gentle spirit. Today, our little girl is a woman. One with goals that we know you will accomplish. As you start a new part of your life, we want you to know how proud we are to call you our daughter.

With all our Love,
Mom and Dad



Dear Rick,

Once we had a little boy. We watched as you crawled and then took those first steps. Ready to steady your step and catch you if you fell. You were amazed by life's little wonders. The joy of a tire swing, trying to coax a cat to come down out of a tree, or rolling in the leaves in the fall. Well, along the way we taught you a few other things. You learned about integrity, respect, patience and honesty. You learned well. You have made us very proud. Your graduation is not an ending; but a beginning. Today, the little boy is a man. You can stand tall. You've earned it! You have made us very proud.

Love,
Mom and Dad



Dear Rick,

Through the years, you've been there to make my life easier, and I appreciate it. Good luck in all you pursue.

Love, Carrie P.S. Thanks for helping me with tennis.



Lorrie,
In time you'll find
Names fade from mind
Memories are far between

But on you'll go
Through highs and lows
Towards your future,
Sight unseen.
Love, Jerry and Susan

I wish you the best in your future and try not to cause too much trouble in your life.
Your Brother, Tim



From your first graduation to this graduation we watched you grow into a mature, independent young woman who knows what she wants out of life. We will always be there for you.
Love, Dad and Mom

Devona,
Each and every time I look at you, I am amazed at the beautiful woman you are. To think I raised you guys and ya' turned out this great. Pooh, you have been my best friend, I have always thanked God for the beautiful daughter that he gave me, but I need to thank Him for the wonderful friend. Thank you for all the times we've shared, for always being by my side. I look forward to both of our new starts. Thank you for Nick, I love him a lot and know no matter what he will always be a special part of my family.
I love you, Mom



Mike,
In laughter and tears in growing years.
We have been far and near.
May all your wishes and dreams come true,
because we have always been proud of you.
Love Always,
Mom, Dad, and your Bros



Danielle,
You were and still are the most beautiful baby I
have ever seen. I am so lucky to have watched
your inside become as beautiful as your out-
side.
I love you,
Aunt Donna



To all my girls,
What can I say? We've been through everything. Courtney*always remember trouble.
Renee*Roberts Rd. Beth*Trash Can. Steph*Bungholeo. Dale*French class. Vane-
sa*Modeling. Ericka*I'll tell them where to go & how to get there. Angi*Garth Brooks. Ericka
H.* Bar. I really hope that when we walk down that aisle at graduation, it isn't the last time
we'll ever see each other.. You guys have definately left an everlasting impression on my life &
will never be forgotten.
Love, Kelly '97



Tony,
We've had some great times,
and some bad, and still more to
come. I'm so lucky to have fi-
nally found a person who does-
n't care what's on the person's
outside, but what's on the in-
side. Thank you for making my
world a better place. I love you
forever.
Hugs and Kisses to You, Angie



Brandi,
You've proven yourself to be a
leader, yet stood with the fol-
lowers, not above them. Your
life has been one big adventure
so far; your first goal was to be
wonder woman when you
grew up. Aim high and follow
your dreams, we love you and
we're proud.

Love,
Mom & Mark



We have all become very
close this year and I hope it
stays that way forever. I love
you guys. Never forget Myr-
tle Beach babe! We'll party
hard!
Amber



Am,
I've known you since 5th grade
and since then we've been best
friends. We're gonna do some
parting soon as school's out! I
hope we keep in touch since we
are sisters!
Love ya, John

Special Messages 205



Girls,

Where do I begin? I never thought I would be saying good bye to all of my best friends. We are finally outta here. This is not only the end of high school, but a new beginning for all of us. You know that I am always here for you's and don't ever forget that! All of the fun times we've shared... from homecomings, proms, parties, trips and just hanging out at good old high school. I love you guys!! I'll miss everyone. Keep in touch... there's gonna be alot of gossip going on at our 20 year reunion... ha/ha!

Your Best Friend, Beth



Dominic,

I would just like to thank you for being the best friend that you are. We've had so many good times together, times that I will never forget. Good luck in college and no matter what keep in touch. Thanks Nickles... I Love Ya Man, *Cortis*

Dear Kim,

No matter what you or I have been through we have always been there for each other. I just want to say thank you for understanding the changes I've gone through. You are the one true person that I know has never back stabbed me. The Lord has made you so kind, gentle, and understanding. You have certainly overused those qualities. I know we will soon be going our own pathways but you will always be in my heart, memories, and prayer. Lord Bless You, Love Erica



Amber and Johnna, I have known you two since elementary and you are the only one's that stuck by me through the years. Thanks!

Angi, Remember when we were the worst of enemies? It sure is funny how people change because you are my best friend, don't forget me! I love you guys! Love, Danielle

Lynette,

I remember when we were younger - fighting and having to be separated from one another. And who is always right behind you getting you out of trouble? Me, and don't forget it, you owe me!!

Love, Danielle



To all my friends,

When I first moved here, I thought I could never take growing up in Algonac. Every day I cried because I hated it so much and the first week Ericka Hildreth wanted to beat me up because she thought I liked Chris Milewski. Now I don't want to stop growing. There were so many fun times shared between so many people. I missed so many things because I didn't realize they passed me until almost too late. If you haven't noticed, I am making up for lost time. All of my friends mean so much to me. When I think back at times of the three stooges, and the dance floor we made up at Brie's house, I hope we can stay that way forever. Freak it baby! Then, reality kicks in hard and its now the time for us to take our first steps into the future. Some of us will always keep in touch, and some of us will probably not. But no matter what, there were so many special memories. That is something we will never forget. Good luck in the years to come. I will miss you. Remember friends are there for each other no matter what. Keep in touch. Love, Stephanie



Jason, thank you for always being here for me. I will remember you forever.



Courtney,

I'm not one for saying goodbye, so I'm not going to. There are too many things we have shared MRYTLE, FLORIDA, COLORADO (the hot guy), BOATING, WAVERUNNIN, BOYZ, SLUMBER PARTIES (via know), THAT HAIR THING, CHRISTMAS, FWASANT (for the last time), HOMECOMINGS, PROMS, TEARS, AND LAUGHTER. I'd take up the rest of the page if I wrote it all. But Courtney, I could never have met a better friend than you. As time passes, I will never, ever forget you. For a youngen, you sure have taught me a lot. I can never thank you enough. On Graduation day, don't shed a tear for me because I will never leave our friendship. Friends are forever. Good luck next year. Especially in cheerleading. Rock Marysville at competition. Tell Lauren I said so too. I'll be watching from wherever I may be. I love you. Love, Steph



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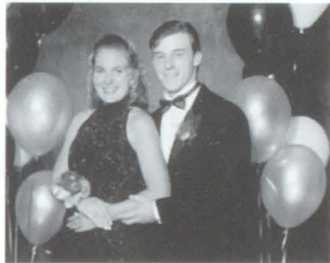
You were my first friend here... That is why I hold our friendship so dear! We've made it through a lot... There were times where we were all we got! Together we've had a ton fun... Buy hey we're not even halfway done! Danny, Chad, Jason and Tom... When it comes to guys, we always "bomb"! Although it's the end of our high school career... For the next 4 years at MSU I'll be near! We can bicker and fight, which we manage to mend.. That's just cuz we'll be friends till the end! I love you like a sis'.. And all our memories of AHS I'll miss! We have a whole lifetime ahead of us, so lets plug our noses and dive in the big bad world. I just hope it's ready for us. Love ya! Brienne Mary

To all the girls... We have been through a lot... All good times, well maybe not! I'll never forget these past 4 years... With all my close friends & all of my peers! Alanis, Myrtle, New Years and Guys... We've had a lot of fun * kept some close ties! Although our time is running short... I know we'll keep communication of some sort! I just want to thank you... To realize that you're all my friends... TRUE! I love all you guys and will never forget you... Good luck in all that you do!

Love you guys! Brie



To my best friend in the whole entire world, Thank you for being the great person that you are. We've had a lot of good times together throughout high school that I will always remember. (tacks, kick-me signs, and many goofy noises). I'll always be here for you no matter what. Best wishes with all of your hopes and dreams. Love, Nicole



Melissa,

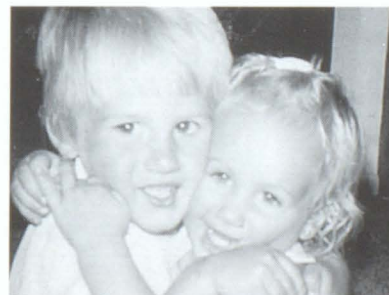
You have given such meaning to my life. You are such a wonderful and caring person who doesn't ask for or expect anything from life except for happiness. You have been through so much in your short life, yet you have come such along way! You give so much of yourself just by being you. No matter what you do with your life, and I know you'll make the right choices. I will be proud of you, as I always have been. Always be healthy and happy and remember that God loves you.

I thank God every day for blessing me with you.
I love you, Mom



Amelia, We 've been and done a lot together. Thanks for always being there with me. Hopefully we'll stay close even when we're in the real world. Love, your friend always, Jen

Jen, Thanks for everything. It was nice to have one true friend all through high school. Germany's gonna "ROCK"! Amelia



To Our Son Jeff,

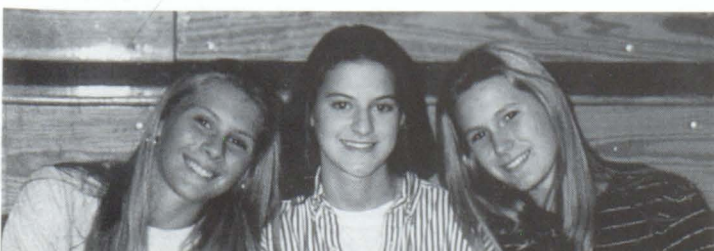
We are very proud of you! There is nothing you can't do in life if your mind is set on it, just as you've always been taught don't ever give in to people who want to drag you down.

As you already know we will always love you but you know how we feel about being your very best at everything you try, so please be the best you can possibly be in life!

We Love So Very Much!!
Mom & Dad



Moe & Larry,
The first day of yearbook staff in 10th grade...now we are the SENIOR class of '97 yearbook editors. We've come a long way, and have worked hard for this book! Through all of the cat fights and confusions, us girls have stuck together... This has been a great time...THREE STOOGES RULE!!! *Curlie*





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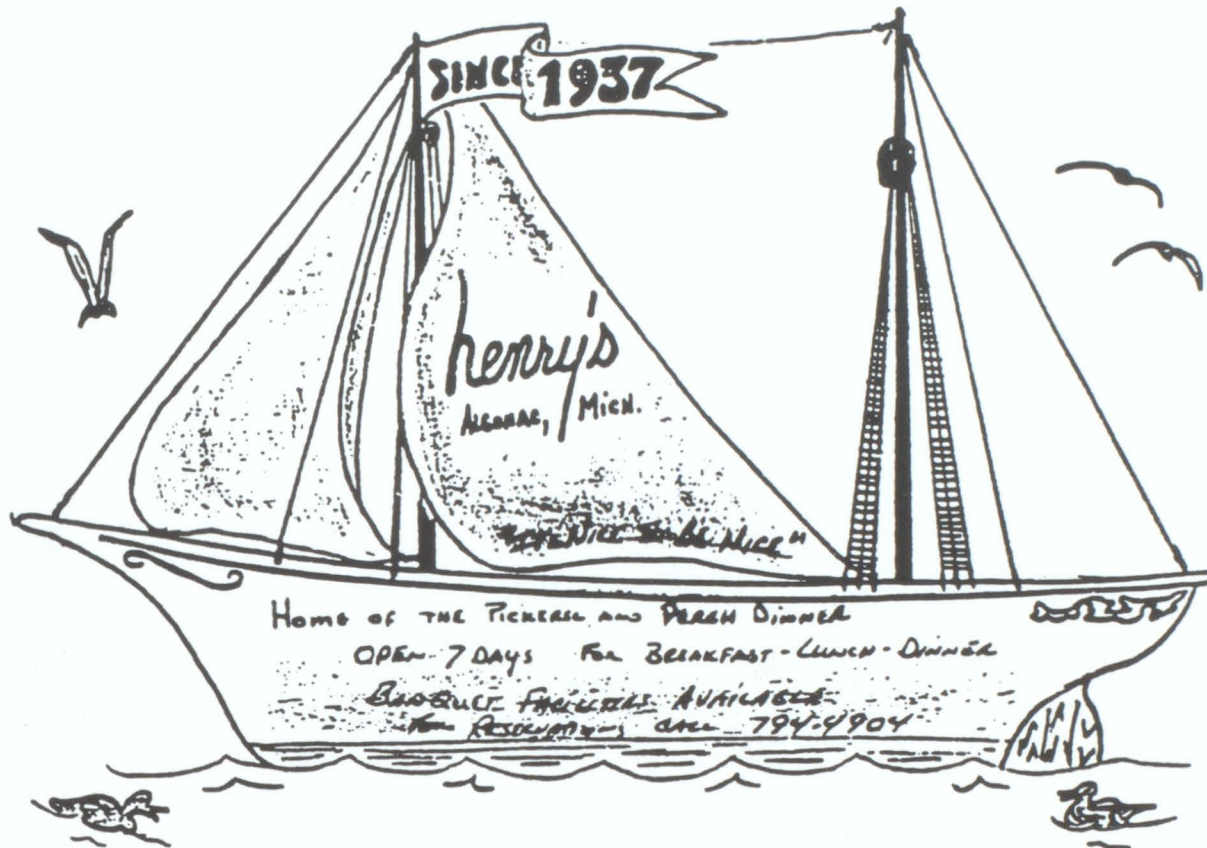
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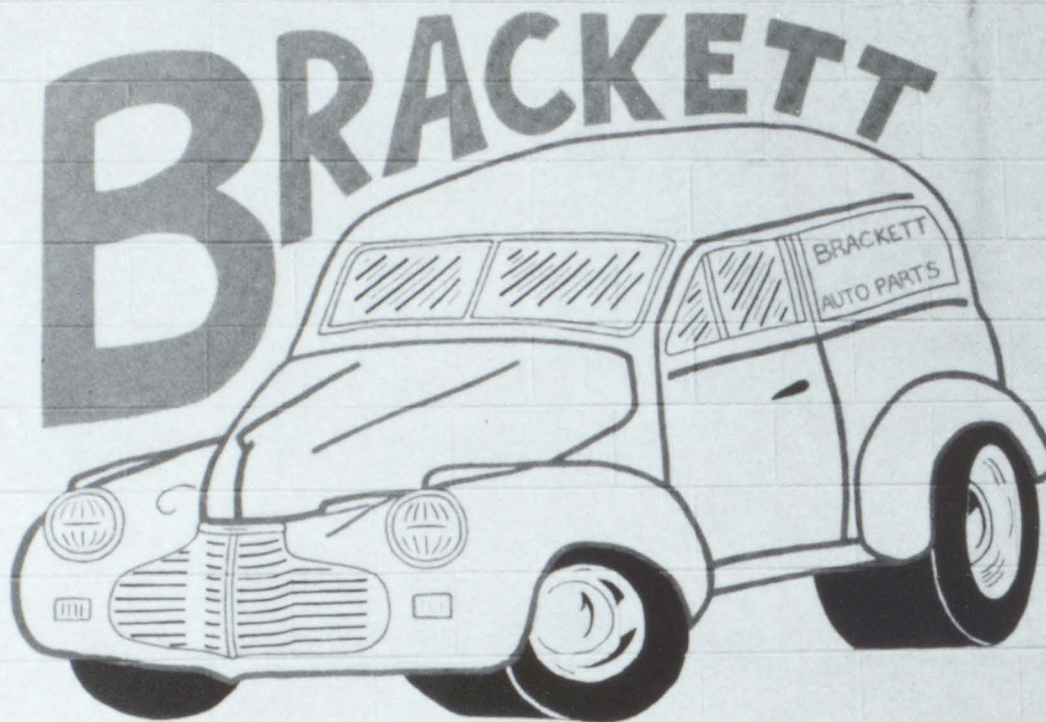
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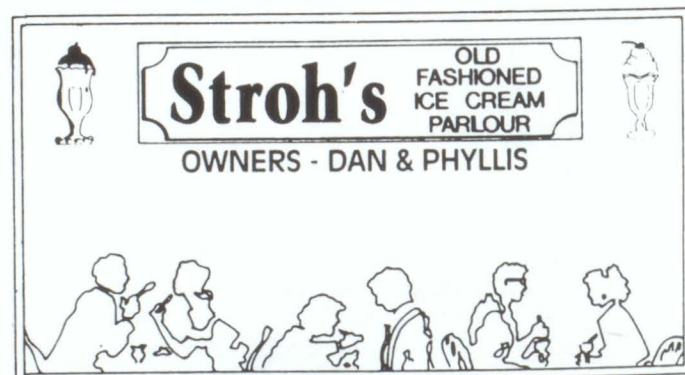
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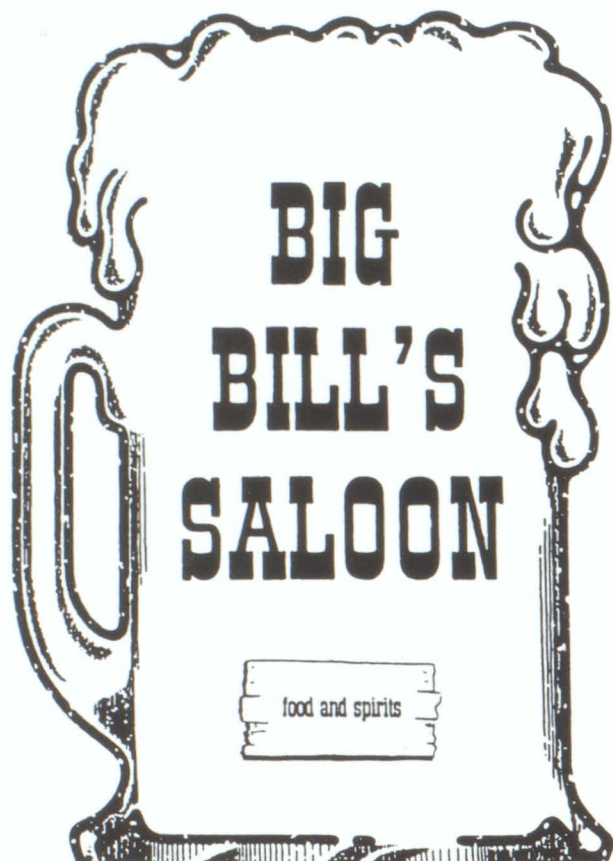
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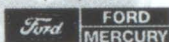
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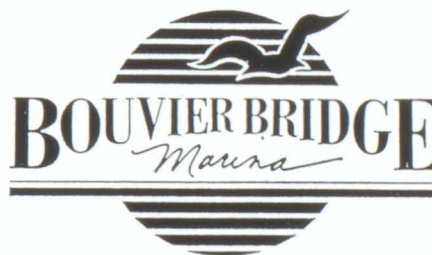
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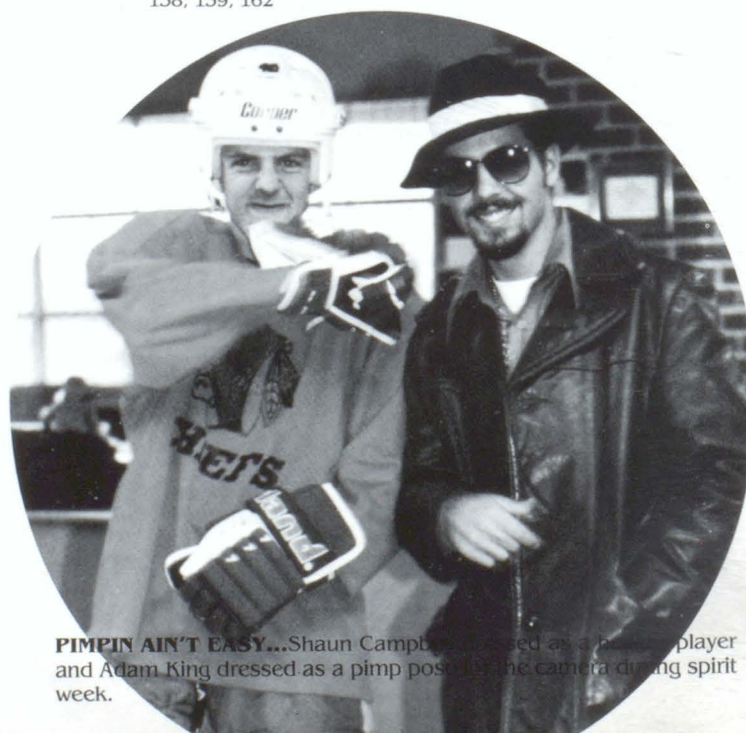
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At the beginning of the year I had no idea what I was getting myself into. On the first day of class, I glanced in the room and was shocked when I saw so many unfamiliar faces. There was a new staff sitting before me that made me wonder what would become of this book. The first few weeks we worked and worked with half of us not having a clue on what was going on. We argued about little things but always managed to get over it and go on to the next.

We went through our frustrating times with computer black outs (I wonder who did that?) and visits to the surgeons office. All three of us were hobbling around or swollen at the same time. The only question we were worried about was, "Who's got the aspirin?"

Sometimes I got discouraged and just wanted to give up but I had to remember what I was here for. What all three of the editors were here for. To have this yearbook be the best one ever seen in the halls of AHS. To win a Spartan award, and to do the hardest work ever done on this staff. We accomplished most of those goals and are awaiting a confirmation on the Spartan. If we win that or not, I really think we deserved it. We worked as a staff. We stuck together.

To the returning staff - You have proved to be successful in everything you have done. I was so impressed with the quality you put in your work. Next year will be a good one for you. One piece of advice, use strict grading and stick to it. Good luck on 1998's book. There's a lot of work ahead.

To the rookies - I will congratulate you for being the best 1st year staff members I have ever seen. I am so proud of the way you picked up things right away and worked until the deadline was over. You were the ones who stayed late, asked for help, and got your stuff done on time. When it is your turn to make that award winning book, let me know when your finished. I'd like to see that Spartan winner. Love, Stephanie



With all the activities going on, I still wanted to have everything to do with my last yearbook! So many things were going on all at once, but whether it was being S.C. President or making sure all the deadlines were set. Lots of confusing days and nights seemed to overcome the year. I never realized how many things we could accomplish in such a small amount of time. Putting together all of the memories of our high school experiences, just pushed me day to day. This has been one of the best years of my life, one that is unforgettable.

Love, Beth

When I first walked into this class I was excited and at the same time scared to death. There before me sat a class that I would soon be seeing complete my senior yearbook with the guidance of Steph, Beth, and myself. Throughout all the hard work, frustration, and sometimes chaotic deadlines, we did it. We sure had our share of mistakes and glitches but we made it through everything to produce the best yearbook we possibly could. I realize how having three editors was crazy for the staff but you guys handled our conflicting demands well. Thanks everyone for giving me this exciting, fun, yet frustrating experience.

Love, Kelly

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Thank you's go out to:

Mrs. Mavis...Mrs. Computer literate. Okay, so you have improved. We would like to thank you for all the stuff we've put you through. It has been a great year and we'll miss you a lot.

Mr. Shafer...All the talks and counseling sessions have kept us sane. We appreciate it tons. Good luck with the paper next year.

Mrs. Licari & Mr. Dobbs...We know you are supposed to be fair, but thanks for letting us slide past you when we really needed it. Oh yeah, you didn't see us right!

The office ladies...Thanks for the continuous copies and friendly attitude when we needed to sign out or look up someone. One day you'll be repayed.

Sam...Thanks for all the help you have given us. It has been fun ending our senior year with you.

Mom & Dad Cortis...Sorry about all the complaining and I appreciate all the help and support throughout my senior year. I love you. Beth

Mom & Dad Stay...Even though you complained enough, thanks for letting me slide by on all the late nights, missed dinners, and bad moods. And thank you very much for always pushing me to do my best. If it wasn't for that I wouldn't be this far now. P.S. Thanks for letting me use the computer on late nights Mom and Dad Ford. Love you guys, Stephanie

Mom & Dad Hutchins...Thanks for giving me so much leeway and not completely killing me for all Amy's missed rides. Sorry about all the little misunderstandings and complaints. I love you. Kelly

Mr. Baldwin...Thanks for giving us the freedom to make this dream come true.

Mrs. Click & Mrs. Bokhari...You have put up with all of our loud music when we decided to jam. Thanks for not yelling, but turning a deaf ear and just closing your doors.

To the Mavis family...Thank you for understanding all the time that was involved in this project and not getting too upset.

Big In A Lot Of Little Ways

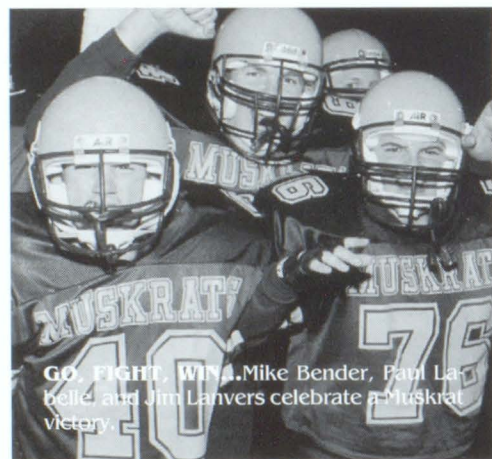


THE OLD DAYS...Krystal Brisse goes back to the hippie days by painting a flower on her face in art class.

In a lot of little ways, this has been a year of great changes. The football team returned the roar of the Muskrat crowd with the first winning season in years. Spirit soared through the building as students filled the bleachers for sporting events. The emotion in the crowd was felt when "lets go blue" was chanted as loud as it could. The new "Muskrat Maniacs" tee-shirts were seen on fans to show off pride. Encouraging posters plastered the halls before important games, meets, and competitions. Everyone was there to support each other.

Even after the HSPT test results, the faculty thought positively on improving them. Study classes were held after school for students interested in getting extra help and an all-school writing hour was assigned for one class each month.

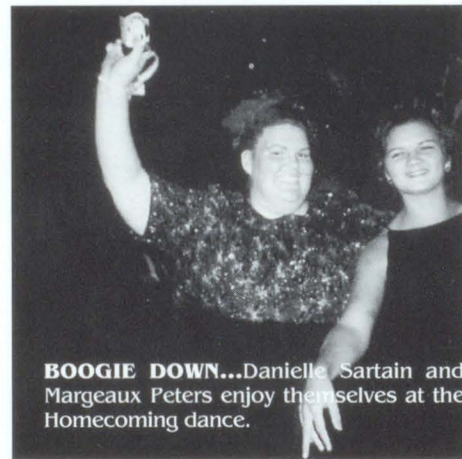
Big in a lot of little ways highlighted the individuals that make up the Muskrat family. In so many ways, each individual is important and has something to contribute to make this school a quality place to be. As this 224 pages highlighted the events of this school year, we looked at what made each one of us...**BIG IN A LOT OF LITTLE WAYS...**



GO, FIGHT, WIN! Mike Bender, Paul Labelle, and Jim Lanvers celebrate a Muskrat victory.



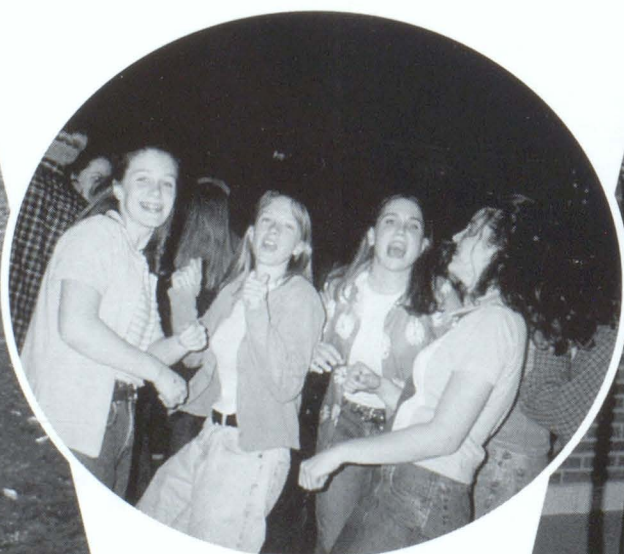
WHO ME?...Shannon Wilson strikes a pose while she sports a wild straw hat.



BOOGIE DOWN...Danielle Sartain and Margeaux Peters enjoy themselves at the Homecoming dance.



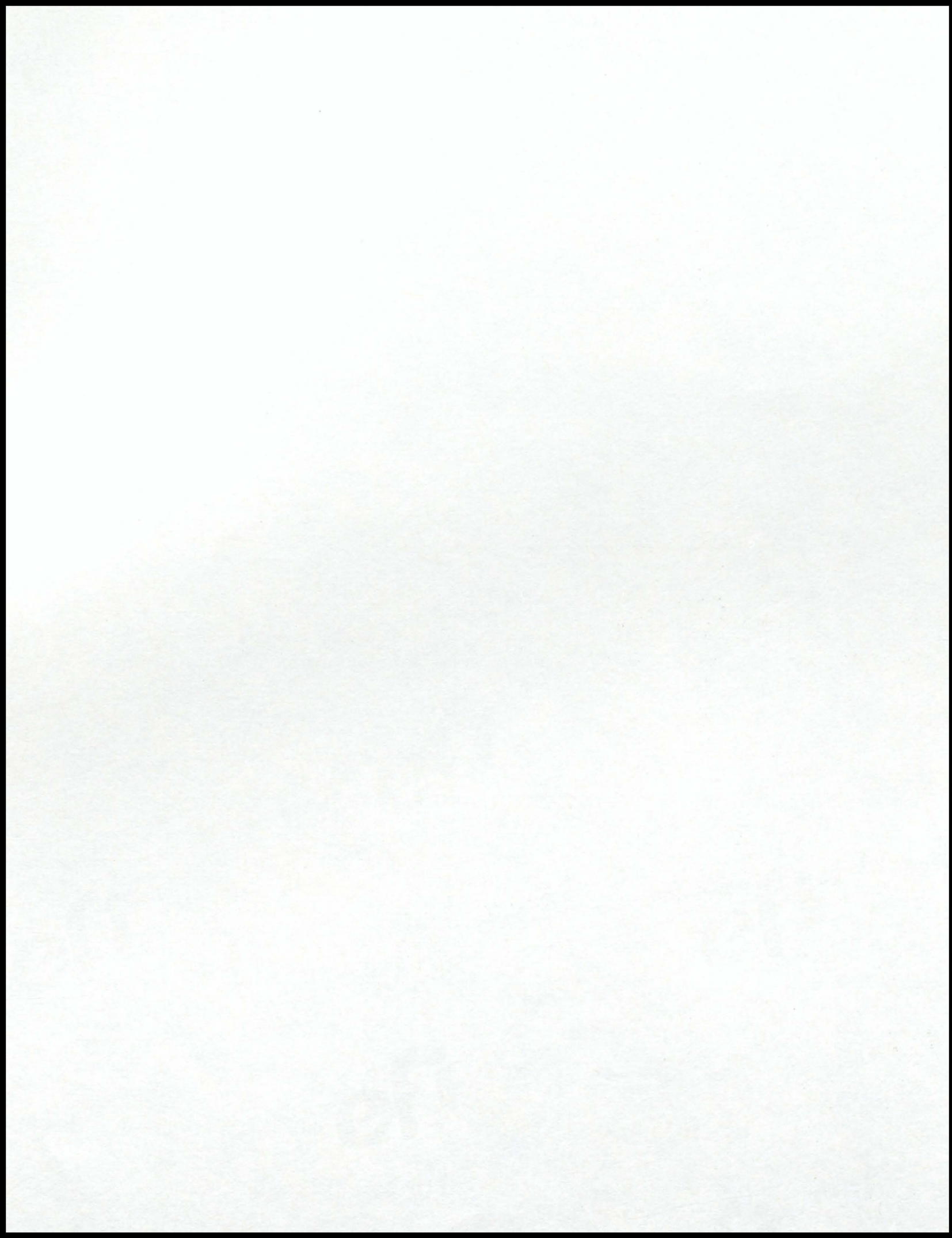
WITH A FULL STRIDE...Cathy Piotrowski heads in towards the finish line at the MAC meet.

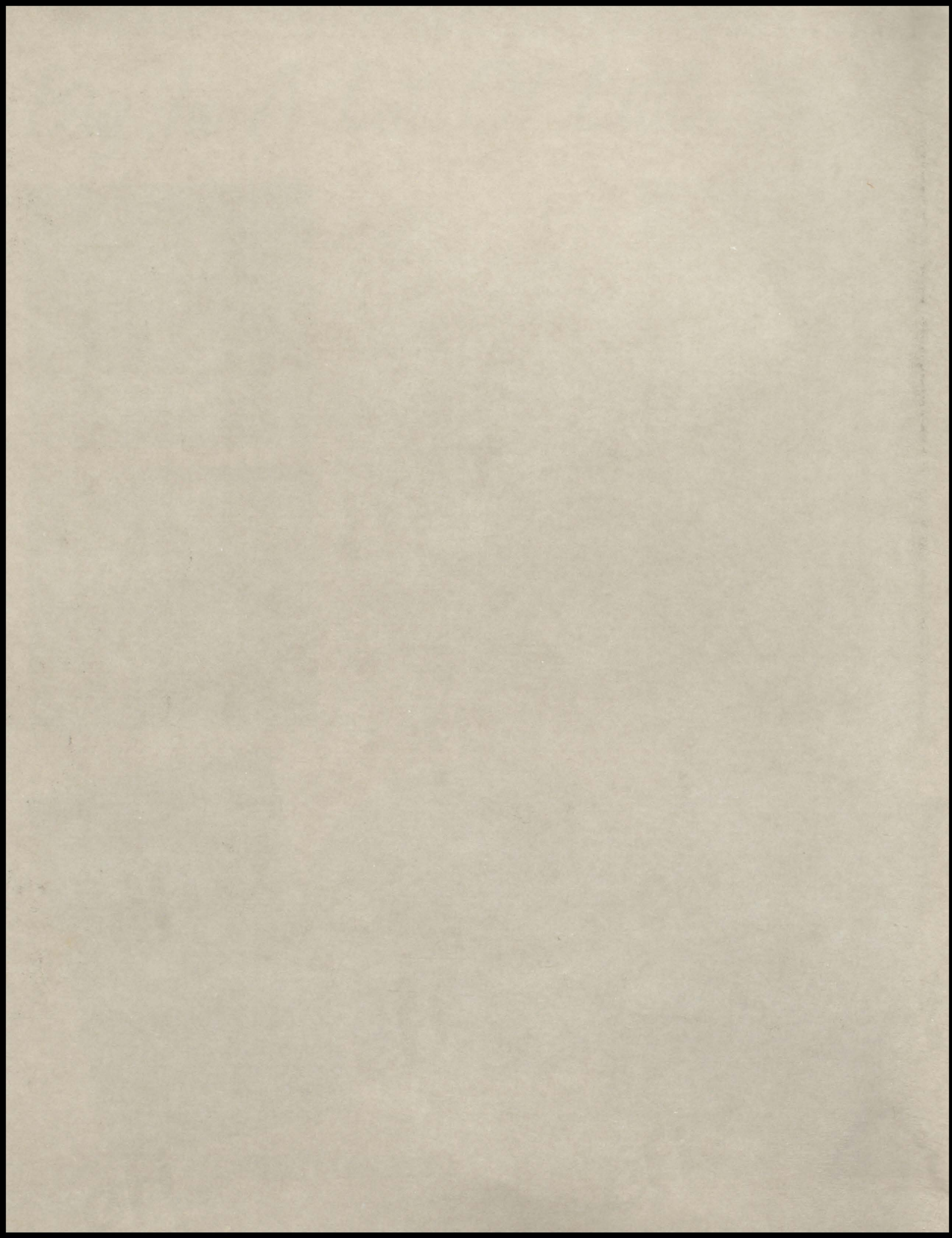


GET DOWN...The junior class shows off their moves at one of the late night dances.



IS THIS A TREE?...Adam Drake tries to find out how to put things together.





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